

SPECIAL AGENT HELD FOR CHAFFEE MURDER

Memphis, Tenn., January 14.—R. H. Stogsdill, 36, Frisco Railroad special agent, indicted Friday at Benton, Mo., on a charge of murder, was arrested here late yesterday afternoon by Detective Lieut. Lee Guianthy and Detective Sergt. Wilbur Miller.

Stogsdill is one of three men wanted in connection with the slaying of B. M. Hargett, a Frisco brakeman, who, police here say, was "taken for a ride" and shot to death on the main street of Chaffee, Mo., Oct. 17, 1927.

Hargett's death occurred shortly after the J. L. C. & E. R. R. merged with the Frisco Railroad. Hargett at that time was an employee of the J. L. C. & E. R. R. Frisco employees were union men and those of the smaller railroad were non-union men when the smaller railroad merged with the Frisco, a number of its employees were hired by the Frisco and given their seniority. Hargett was one to receive his seniority.

The union men of the Frisco resented the action, Benton police say. The act made some of the non-union men of the smaller railroad higher in rank than those union men of the Frisco.

On October 17, 1927, a car drove up to the hotel where Hargett was rooming. Three men were in the car. Police say they asked a friend to call Hargett out to the car, but the man refused. Later the same man said he saw two of the men coming out of the hotel with Hargett between them.

The car rolled away from the curb and a few minutes later several shots were fired. Police say the men who took Hargett for the ride went to scare him, but they believed Hargett showed fight and in a scuffle was shot.

At the end of the main street of Chaffee, Hargett's body was tossed out of the car. He was dead when friends reached him.

A few hours before Hargett's body was found, police here say, Mrs. Stogsdill went to the home of a friend, a school teacher, and told her she was uneasy, as her husband had come home from work, procured his gun and left without eating his dinner.

After Hargett's body was found, police say, Mrs. Stogsdill again visited the teacher and told her Mr. Stogsdill had been home that night.

The car in which police believe Hargett was murdered was found a few days after the shooting in a garage, the doors of which had been securely nailed. Police reported bullet holes and blood spots were found in the car. They say the car belonged to one of the three men who had called at Hargett's rooming house for him.

Late yesterday afternoon the sheriff at Benton called Detective Inspector Will T. Griffin, informing him that an indictment had been returned against Stogsdill, who was en route here. When Stogsdill arrived the two detectives were waiting for him.

Stogsdill has not been questioned by local officers. He denies that he is wanted by police of any city.

GOV. BAKER NAMES COMMITTEE BOND ISSUE

Jefferson City, January 12.—Gov. Baker today appointed his compromise committee to draft a substitute State road bond plans of the Automobile Club of Missouri and the State Highway Commission, which brought on a deadlock when attempts were made to harmonize them in two recent conferences.

The new committee will begin its work here about January 21. It will attempt to draft an entirely new bond proposition, including the best points of bond proposals offered heretofore, to be submitted to the voters in the November general election.

The membership of the committee follows: Gov. Baker, Republican, chairman; John Malang of Joplin, Republican, director of the good roads bureau of the Automobile Club, representing the club; C. D. Matthews, of Sikeston, Republican, chairman of the Highway Commission, representing the commission; H. J. (Jack) Blanton of Paris, Democrat, newspaper publisher; Lou E. Holland of Kansas City, Democrat, former president of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; Anthony A. Buford of Ellington, Democrat, secretary of the Ozarks Chamber of Commerce.

Gov. Baker said that, aside from the representatives of the commission and the Automobile Club, the members of the committee did not represent any of the factions in the controversy that has been in progress over the road bonds for the last four weeks.

Malang was appointed as the club representative at the request of Roy Britton, president of the Automobile Club, and in effect will represent St. Louis as well as the club, the Governor said.

The Governor said he had questioned each of the committee members appointed from the State at large and had received assurances that they were not committed to any particular plan or any faction.

The Automobile Club sponsored a bond issue of \$120,000,000, providing for completion of the existing state highway system of 7640 miles, necessary additions, road widening in metropolitan areas to relieve traffic congestion, and development of a farm-to-market system of feeder roads. The club plan barred any increase in the automobile license fees and gasoline tax and provided for apportionment of funds to the counties, in excess of requirements to complete the state system, on the basis of automobile registration in each county.

A counter proposal of \$60,000,000 was recommended by the commission to complete the system. Road widening, extensions and farm-to-market roads were to be provided through a fund built up from surplus in the road fund over bond requirements. This plan was indefinite as to the time when farm-to-market roads would be built, contained no limitation on revenue rates, and distribution to the counties was proposed on a basis of equal division, irrespective of automobile registration.

Gov. Baker said he would prepare

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a tentative outline of a proposition to be submitted to the committee, when it convenes merely to serve as a basis of discussion.

"Someone must have a plan to submit as a starter", he said. "I am not absolutely wedded to any amount of bond nor any specific plan. The proposal must be adequate to take care of all the requirements and it must be a plan that all groups can support".

"The three main points to be considered", he continued, "are the amount of bonds, what limitation is to be placed on any future increases in revenue rates, and the basis of distribution to the counties of the funds in excess of the amount required to complete the State system of 7640 miles".

The Governor has stated that he favored a limitation on increased license fees and gasoline taxes for at least ten years.

The proposal to be submitted to the voters will be a constitutional amendment, which would prevent future tampering with the program or revenues by the Legislature.

NEW FARM BILL LEAVES OUT PLAN FOR EQUALIZATION FEE

Washington, January 13.—A new farm bill, described by its author as practically similar to the McNary-Haugen measure except that it omits provision for an equalization fee, was introduced today by Representative Aswell of Louisiana, ranking Democrat on the House Agricultural Committee.

The bill calls for creation of a revolving fund of \$400,080,000 of which \$250,000,000 would be for payment of "losses, costs and charges arising under marketing agreements", and the remainder for loans to co-operative associations. The bill also is applicable to all agricultural commodities and provides for the appointment by the President of a Federal farm board, for creation of commodity advisory councils to assure complete representation of commodities, and for loans to control surpluses and acquire facilities for storage.

Timothy grass is so called because Timothy Hansen brought it to this country from England in the eighteenth century.

SENATE GETS FIRST FLOOD CONTROL PLAN

Washington, January 13.—The first report of the Mississippi River Commission on Flood Control was sent to the Senate yesterday by Secretary of War Davis.

In a letter, submitted in response to a resolution by Senator Caraway (Dem.) of Arkansas, Davis pointed out the report contained recommendations for local contributions to flood control.

Caraway, in submitting his resolution requesting Davis to furnish to the Senate preliminary estimates or suggestions and recommendations, if any, or both the chief of engineers of the Army and the Mississippi River Commission on Flood Control, stated his action was prompted by rumors that two reports had been made, the first recommending that the Federal Government bear the entire expense of flood control.

"No written preliminary report was submitted to me by the chief of engineers", Davis said.

The report of the River Commission was called for by the chief of engineers, the Secretary said, for his assistance in preparing a comprehensive plan, which finally was submitted to Congress.

The Senate was informed by the Secretary that the report of the Commission as a whole was neither the approval of the chief engineers nor that of the President and himself.

MOREHOUSE HUNTER FINED FOR HUNTING

Deputy Game Warden John Malone arrested Roscoe Wooten of Morehouse Friday for hunting without a license and shooting quail and squirrel out of season.

He was taken before Judge Myers who assessed a fine of \$11 and costs, a total of \$22.60. Malone has orders from headquarters to watch closely for violators, and he proposes to do his duty along this line.

Lucretia Borgia, Lady Macbeth, Catherine de Medici, Marie Antoinette and Anne of Austria were all blondes.

GRIPPING WAR FILM HERE ON WEDNESDAY

"The World War", the first comprehensive historical motion picture of the great conflict to be sanctioned by the United States Government will be shown Wednesday night at the Malone Theatre under the auspices of Henry Meldrum Post of the American Legion.

This picture is based entirely upon historical facts and scenes. Perhaps that is why it has been characterized by critics as "the most gripping and true story of the World War ever told on the screen".

The pervid fictioneer of a highly imaginative scenario writer did not create the thrills or the heart-throbs and the "human interest" of this unusual picture. The World War, cruel and real, created this film classic and gave it its most appropriate title.

"When this picture has been seen the World War in all its magnitude, insofar as the faithful camera records it, has passed in review", was the comment of Admiral W. S. Benson, U. S. N., after viewing the film.

Camera men were constantly in the shadow of death when they were "shooting" the scenes for this picture. Many lost their lives to give the record of "The World War" to the screen. G. F. Zimmer, connected with the Naval Intelligence Corps during the war and who was detailed to film the scenes shown in the picture, escaped death by a narrow margin many times. Once when he was in Russia, the Bolshevik arrested him for taking pictures and sentenced him to be shot. He escaped by hiding under the straw in a box car until the train pulled out and carried him to safety.

The screen version of "The World War" gives the story of that stupendous conflict in a way that is readily comprehensible to the audience. By use of maps that grow dark and light an extend and contract with the wiping out or taking of salients and the bending or breaking of battle lines, the progress of the greatest war in history is made most graphic and can be readily followed. It is said that the use of maps in this picture is the most interesting and graphic ever seen on the screen.

SAYS FARMERS IN U. S. OWE \$12,500,000,000

Columbia, January 13.—The census records show that the indebtedness of farmers in the United States has increased greatly in the last few years and it is estimated that the farmers now owe the colossal sum of \$12,500,000,000, according to Dean F. B. Mumford of the Missouri College of Agriculture, writing for a recent bulletin issued by the Agricultural Experiment station here. This is three times the indebtedness of farmers in 1910, he says.

The bulletin just issued includes abstracts from addresses delivered at the first short course in land valuation held at the college last year. The questions that enter into arriving at the true value of land, the extent to which the farmer or banker should lend money on the speculative value of farm lands and the relation of taxes to farm loans and profits are discussed in detail in the bulletin. Dean Mumford points out that in some cases farm lands have been appraised as of no value because the taxes were so great no income could be expected. Fortunately, he states, this situation is not general, but no farmer can longer buy land blindly, and an important factor in the ownership of land is the tax assessed against it.

In the bulletin are 10 articles relating to the subject farm loans and the various factors that enter into their negotiation.

CHURCH NOTES

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met with Mrs. W. H. Sikes Friday evening with about twenty-five members present. This being the first meeting of the year, standing committees were appointed. Mrs. Ben Matthews joined the circle. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. F. Anderson on February 10 and all members who cannot be present, will please notify the hostess.

The ladies of the Catholic church will have a Lotto Party at the home of Mrs. Jane Mills Thursday afternoon. All members are urged to attend.

Three trustees were elected for St. Francis Xavier church as follows: Louis Duemmy, Wm. Tesson and H. C. Blanton.

The ladies Bible Study Class of the Baptist church will meet with Mrs. Jack Johnson Thursday afternoon. A full attendance is urged to attend.

The Young Women's Circle of the Christian Church will meet with Mrs. O. E. Latham Wednesday evening.

Judge George Buchanan and B. F. Marshall, Jr., of Blodgett were business visitors in Sikeston Friday forenoon.

A lighter oil lantern he was using in drawing two gallons of gasoline from his automobile caused an explosion which resulted in serious burns to Ed Taylor, of near Dexter. Both hands were badly burned. Physicians say he will recover unless infection develops.

ACTRESS IN HOSPITAL DYING FROM INJURIES

Mrs. Ches Davis, 21, an actress, was probably fatally injured and her husband, Ches, 35, producer of the Ches Davis musical revue, was painfully hurt, when their automobile was struck by a car loaded with drunken negroes a half-mile north of Sards, Miss., late Sunday.

The automobile containing Mr. and Mrs. Davis overturned three times and landed in a ditch. After they were extricated from the wrecked machine, the machine burst into flames and was practically destroyed.

Mrs. Davis is said to be dying at the Methodist Hospital, in Memphis, where she was hurried in an Arnold and West ambulance from Sards.

Her skull is severely fractured and she is unconscious. Attaches at the hospital say that very little hope is held for her recovery.

The Davises were on their way to Memphis to spend the night when the accident occurred. Mr. Davis, whose real name is Taylor, is the brother of Detective Sergt. James Taylor of the Memphis police auto theft bureau.

The Ches Davis musical revue is well known throughout the southern and southwest states, and has played several engagements in Sikeston.

OLD FORD GARAGE ABOUT DEMOLISHED

Workmen have just about finished taking down the walls, cleaning and piling the brick in the Ford Garage Building, that was destroyed by fire a year ago.

The site is owned by Roscoe Welteke, who informed a Standard representative Monday morning, that he had set no time for the new building to be started, but expected to erect a two-story building during the coming spring.

As yet his plans are not fully formulated and no part of the building has been leased.

This is one of the best locations in Sikeston and there will be no trouble to find renters when the building is ready for occupancy.

TWO MEN SENTENCED TO BE LASHED FOR ATTACKING GIRL

Windsor, Ont., January 13.—Convicted of leading two youths in an attack on a young girl last summer, James McKeegan, 26 years old, of Leamington, Man., was sentenced yesterday to receive 30 lashes and to serve 20 years in the penitentiary.

Nelson Wuick, 18, also of Leamington, was sentenced to 15 years and 20 lashes and Nathan Girardin, 17, was sentenced to two years less one day in the Guelph reformatory. Girardin had been permitted to plead guilty to assault.

Bud Dawson of New Madrid paid The Standard a pleasant call Friday afternoon.

A MAN WHO CAN

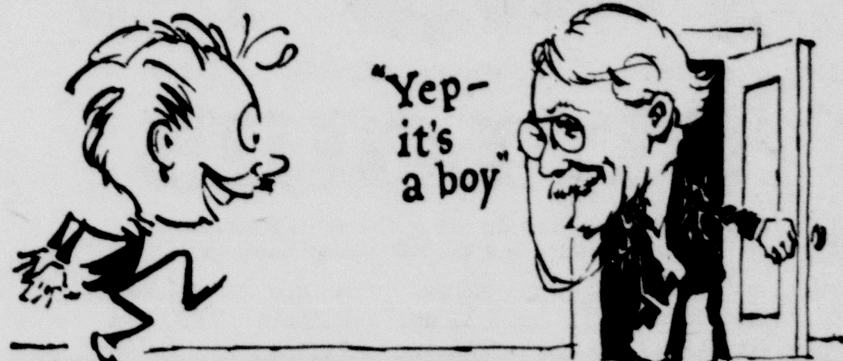
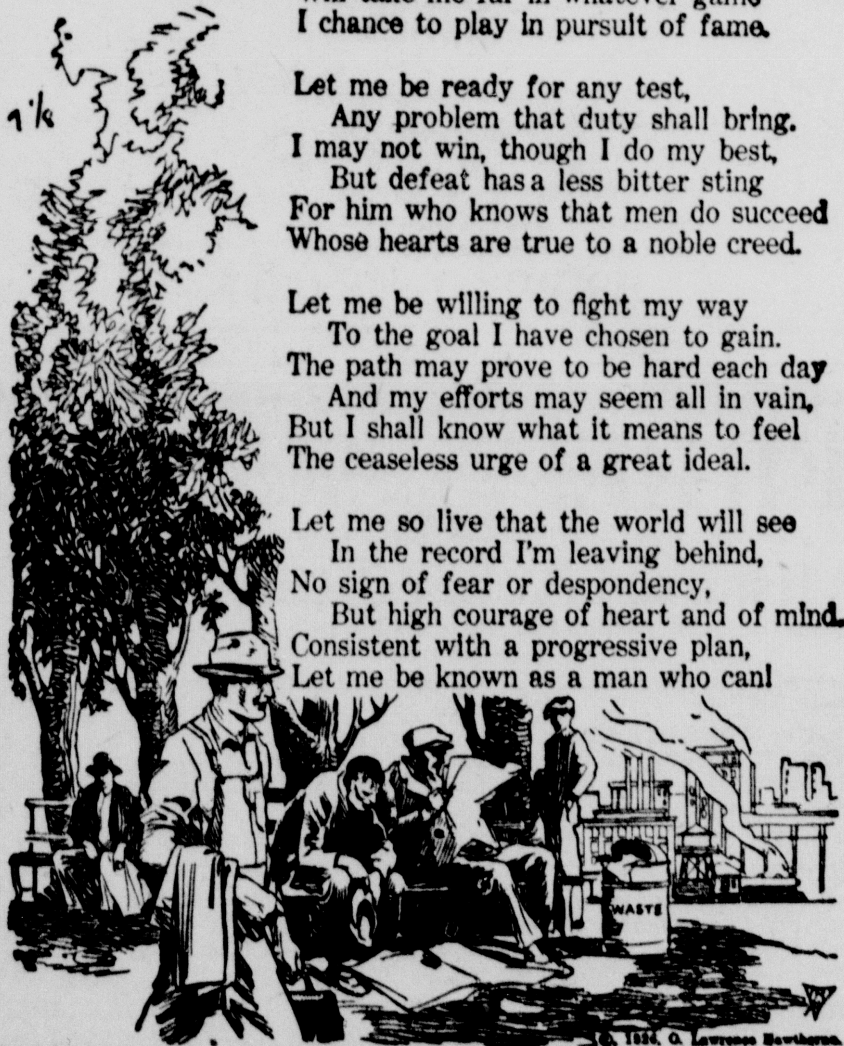
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But the spirit of do-it-or-die
Will take me far in whatever game
I chance to play in pursuit of fame.

Let me be ready for any test,
Any problem that duty shall bring.
I may not win, though I do my best,
But defeat has a less bitter sting
For him who knows that men do succeed
Whose hearts are true to a noble creed.

Let me be willing to fight my way
To the goal I have chosen to gain.
The path may prove to be hard each day
And my efforts may seem all in vain,
But I shall know what it means to feel
The ceaseless urge of a great ideal.

Let me so live that the world will see
In the record I'm leaving behind,
No sign of fear or despondency,
But high courage of heart and of mind.
Consistent with a progressive plan,
Let me be known as a man who can!



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The next big cat fight scheduled for Skeston is the city election in April. This same form of government will be in force for the next two years and candidates for the various offices will have to draw up their platforms soon in order that the voters can see just what sort of an administration is to be promised them. The matter of not being able to finance a lot of the things needed, need not deter the runners from making all sorts of promises.

The Standard was one of the suggestors of Editor Denman for the Council to fill out an unexpired term, believing he would reform the city within a few weeks, but to date all he has accomplished was to slip a scantling under the present form of city government and attempt to prize the form into oblivion. We don't know whether the scantling slipped or broke, but anyway, the same old pendulum swings back and forth.

Another heart broken husband called on the editor a few days ago with a story of a broken home. It seems a young sport had taught Eve to drink mule and smoke cigarettes which was very offensive to the Adam. Our advice to the Adam was for him to watch for the snake to approach Eve then meet him with a shot gun.

Monroe County will soon have a rock pile and those sentenced to jail will be required to "bust" rock with a sledge hammer, being allowed \$1.00 per day for same. Sitting on a public street, anchored so as not to "drift" away and pounding rock for the amusement of passersby, is tho't to be one thing that will act as a crime deterrent. Many possible offenders will think twice before taking chances on the above. In jail, they are not so exposed to public view and ridicule.

The little girl from down the country says a dressed turkey doesn't wear much, and a woman is entitled to more liberties than a turkey.—Commercial Appeal.

Another thing that helped beat the Commission Form of Government was the telephone calls to some stating that none but the lower strata of society and bootleggers were against the change. Guess we belong to the lower strata for which we are thankful.

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GOV. SMITH'S LETTER AT JACKSON DAY DINNER

Washington, January 13.—Following is the text of the letter of Gov. Smith of New York to Chairman Clem Shaver of the Democratic National Committee, which was read at the Jackson day dinner here last night:

"My Dear Chairman: It is a matter of deep regret that the pressure of official business makes it impossible for me to leave the State. I should like to join with my fellow Democrats throughout the country in celebrating the birthday of Andrew Jackson. I take it that when a group of Democratic leaders from various parts of the country comes together, something must naturally be said of interest to the country and to the party.

"The Democratic party deserves success in the nation, but, in my opinion, cannot attain it by relying wholly upon the mistakes of its political adversaries. It should inspire confidence by a constructive forward-looking platform with promises of material betterment for the nation. There should be no Western, no Eastern, no Northern, no Southern Democracy. Jeffersonian Democracy is built upon proposals sufficiently broad and liberal to enlist all men who believe in the principle of representative government. We must think nationally and not locally.

"If I may be pardoned for a definite suggestion at this time, I venture to say that the declaration of party principles might well be tentatively drafted at the earliest possible moment. I believe we have erred in the past by waiting for the national convention to undertake the entire task of preparing a platform. In the heat and rush of a convention the platform when finally written is, to my way of thinking, not sufficiently understandable to the masses of the people.

"There is too great a tendency to speak of the evils that best us and to fail to suggest any specific remedy.

"Party platforms of recent years have been too general in their terms and important questions have been neglected by platform builders in the spirit of compromise with great principles.

"We cannot carry water on both shoulders. The Democratic party must talk out to the American people in no uncertain terms.

"The national committee could render a great service to the party and to the country as well by the formulation far in advance of the national convention of a definite party policy a line from which there can come during the course of the convention's deliberations, a platform upon which our candidates may present their cause to the country.

"It is my deep conviction that our platform should be built by applying the fundamental principles of Jeffersonian democracy unflinchingly to each specific problem of the day.

"The greatest degree of local self-government by the states, the minimum of interference by the Federal Government in any state with the local habits and concerns of any other state, legislation for the interest of all, and not for any class or group, noninterference with the internal affairs of other nations, tolerance of conflicting opinion—these are our articles of political faith.

"When we follow these we succeed. We should follow them now.

"We should study and treat in the light of these principles our foreign relations, prohibition, agriculture, reform of the governmental machinery, economic policy, conservation and development of our public natural resources and in fact any other question which arises.

"We will solve these specific problems rightly only if we fearlessly meet them in full reliance upon these traditions of our party. I, for one, am for thus meeting them without equivocation.

"The success of the Democratic party in the State of New York lies in the fact that it has had a clear-cut definite platform and from Long Island to Lake Erie the Democratic party stood as one man until the people of the State achieved the full benefit of the promises made at each of our Democratic State conventions.

"Indecisive declarations of political faith get the party nowhere. We have had sufficient experience along that line in the past, and as a lesson from that experience I offer these suggestions herein contained to the leaders and to the rank and file of the party as in the interest of the coun-

ty and of the party of Jefferson and Jackson.

"Sincerely yours,
"ALSRED E. SMITH".

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Suffering humanity has suffered less and inventing genius has invented more since the entrance of John Thompson Hodgen in the medical field.

John Thompson Hodgen was born at Hodgenville, Ky., on January 19, 1825, not far from the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln. He attended the common schools of Pittsfield, Illinois and received his collegiate training in Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia. Early childhood found him intensely interested in medicine, so in gratification of this long-felt desire for service to humanity he entered the Medical Department of the University of Missouri from which he graduated in 1848, having made a marked place for himself as a student.

He immediately began practicing in St. Louis and was affiliated with the St. Louis City Hospital and the Missouri Medical College of St. Louis in which institution he also held two different professorships. During the Civil War, he attempted to prevent the Federal authorities from converting the Missouri Medical College into the Gratiot Street prison, but failing in this, he turned with renewed effort and energy to the St. Louis Medical College with which he was connected until 1875, in which he was later dean of the faculty. Dr. Hodgen possessed a surgical skill that caused the government to utilize his expert services in several ways, also making him surgeon-general of the State of Missouri. He was for twenty years consulting surgeon of the City Hospital in St. Louis. He was president of the Board of Health of that city, during 1867 and 1867, at which time he laid the foundation of the Charity Hospital and was the instigator of the lastingly beneficial sanitary measures in St. Louis. He gained great renown as a surgeon and superior physician and was honored by the presidency of the St. Louis Medical Society in 1872, the chairmanship of the Surgical Section of the American Medical Association in 1873, the presidency of the State Medical Society in 1876, and the presidency of the American Medical Association in 1880.

His general surgical work, though widely recognized, was no more a cause of this recognition than were his surgical inventions which gained for him acknowledgment in foreign fields. Perhaps the most widely known of his inventions is the wire splint for the correction of fractured thighs.

"He loved his profession and knelt at its shrine with the devotion of a priest"—such devotion to a cause could but evolve in such success as was his. He was broad and liberal in his views and most tolerant with his co-workers in the profession and shared honors where honors were due. He administered to rich and poor alike, and his counsel was sought by many. "Like the soldier on the eve of battle, he was ever ready to respond to the bugle call, not matter when or where it sounded". Though fame early crowned his honest efforts, he never ceased to be a scholar.

Among his many abilities and accomplishments was also that of debater, in which field he won commendable recognition at the International Medical Congress held in Philadelphia in 1879. He was also a liberal contributor to the literary side of his profession and his books are considered authoritative.

Dr. John Thompson Hodgen passed from this earthly life of service on April 28, 1882, having made a name for himself in America and Europe as one of the foremost men in the noble field of human healing.

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Dr. Willis and Mrs. Willis of Jopka, Ill., were in Skeston Friday. Mrs. Willis was one of the popular proprietors of the Star Cafe before it changed owners recently. The Standard acknowledges a social call from Mrs. Willis.

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At said meeting the creditors will consider the advisability of the sale of all the assets, real estate and personal property of said estate at public or private sale, subject to approval or confirmation by the court.

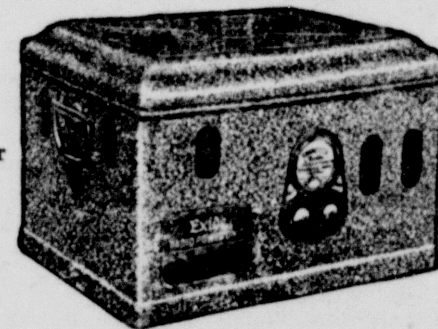
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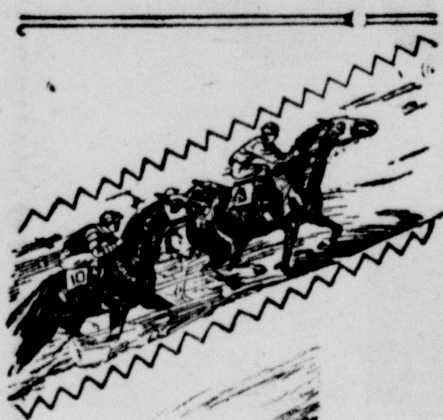
Makes the Body Strong. Makes the Blood Rich. It restores Energy and Vitality by creating new, healthy blood and fortifies the system against Malaria and Chills. Pleasant to take. 60c.

The levees of the county are in excellent condition. The gap at Dorena has not only been repaired but it has been built to stand a river stage of 60 feet at Cairo. Other parts of the levees of the county which were damaged by wave wash are being rapidly repaired and replaced and it may be said that we are better prepared for a high stage of water now than we were at any previous time. The work accomplished at Dorena was by the Lorraine Construction Company under the supervision of the federal government on the basis of one-third cost to the district and two-thirds to the government.—Charleston Times.

Malone Theatre

7:00 O'CLOCK NIGHTLY

TUESDAY

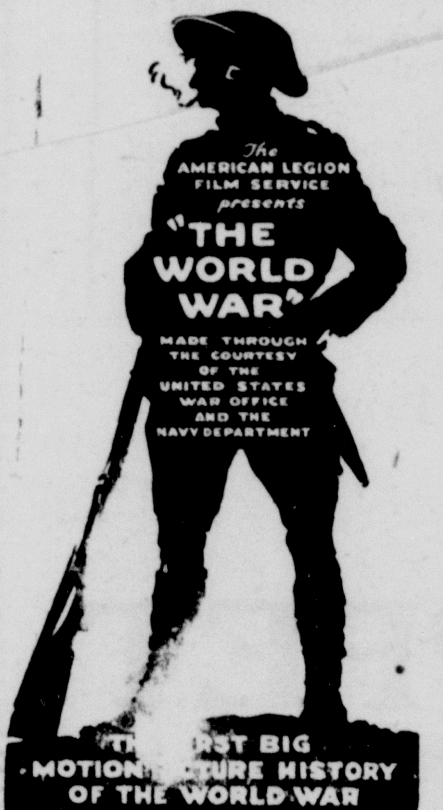


Down the home-stretch! Never a dull moment in this stirring racing romance! It carries you from the colorful background of thoroughbreds and beautiful women down in Dixie, over to war-time France, then back again to Kentucky and one of the most satisfying climaxes on the screen! You'll love it! You'll cheer it!



With
JAMES MURRY and HELENE COSTELLO
NEWS AND COMEDY
Admission 15c and 35c

WEDNESDAY
Afternoon and Evening



and The PARIS CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
Eleven Reels in All
Under the auspices of Henry Meldrum
Post No. 114
Matinee at 3:00 P. M.—25c and 50c
Night 50c

THURSDAY

Its half to laugh—it's half to cry—but all supreme entertainment!

HARRY LANGDON in
"Three's a Crowd"

If you were poor in love but rich in dreams—Cupid made the girl of your illusions a reality—and then gave you another love for good measure—what would you do?
Harry Langdon tells you with the pantomime and comedy that have made him the Screen's Master of Emotion!

CARTOON AND COMEDY
Admission 10c and 25c

FRIDAY

Afternoon and Evening

"Paid to Love"

A Paris girl whose beauty rocked a kingdom with
GEORGE O'BRIEN, VIRGINIA VALLI, J. FARRELL MACDONALD, WILLIAM POWELL

PATHE REVIEW, FELIX CARTOON AND COMEDY

Bargain Matinee Every Friday at 3 p. m. Admission 10c & 25c
Night 7:00 p. m. 15c and 35c

ARKANSAS FORGER CAUGHT IN SKESTON

Constable Brown Jewell and Officer Gid Daniels, Saturday afternoon, located a man wanted at Magnolia, Ark., for forging a check on a farmer for several hundred dollars.

The man went under the name of R. H. Gulley at Magnolia, but tried to cash a draft at the Bank of Skeston for \$400 in the name of Herman Rackley. He was about 45 years of age, a painter and paper hanger by trade and was a cripple. He told Constable Jewell that he was wanted at Pine Bluff, Ark., in connection with a murder and also wanted in Texas.

C. T. Fincher, Chief of Deputy Sheriff of Magnolia, arrived in Skeston early Monday morning to take the prisoner back to Arkansas, and stated they had a long term in the penitentiary awaiting the man, and then he could be tried for other crimes if wanted.

EASTERN STARS HOLD INSTALLATION LAST WEEK

The local Chapter of the Eastern Star held their installation of officers for the year, Thursday of last week, which was as follows:

Mrs. Nellie Mount—Worthy Matron.

W. E. Hollingsworth—Worthy Patron.

Mrs. Mary Dudley—Associate Matron.

Mrs. Ruth Limbaugh—Conductress.

Mrs. Eva Mow—Associate Conductress.

Mrs. Lucy Humphreys—Secretary.

Miss Lillian Putman—Treasurer.

Mrs. Dorothy Oliver—Ada.

Mrs. Rivers Tanner—Ruth.

Miss Jessie Bowling—Martha.

Mrs. Zola Arbaugh—Electra.

Mrs. Mary Johnson—Esther.

Mrs. Melvin Limbaugh—Marshal.

Mrs. R. E. Bailey—Chaplin.

Electra O'Hara—Warden.

Miss Sylvia Arbaugh—Sentinel.

Mrs. Hazel Young—Organist.

After the installation of these officers, a splendid program was given and a social hour enjoyed by those present.

MODERN WOODMEN TO CELEBRATE WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, January 18, the Modern Woodmen of America will have a celebration in the Odd Fellows' Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to celebrate leading of the State of Missouri by District No. 16 in 1927.

Judge H. S. Green of Bloomfield will be master of ceremony.

Hon. A. R. Smith of Kansas City will install the officer at 6:30 p. m.

Mr. Smith is Missouri Director of Modern Woodmen of America.

A splendid program has been arranged and the public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Carroll Meyer returned Sunday from a visit of three weeks with relatives in St. Louis.

Mrs. Henrietta Stumm entertained the following little folks at a matinee at Malone Theatre Saturday afternoon: Steve and Lillian Gale Applegate, G. B. Greer, Jr., Moore Greer, Jr., Esther Jane Greer and Bob Anderson.

H. B. Reeves, 58, farmer, of Stoddard County, was accidentally killed last Wednesday when a tree which he was cutting down, fell and struck him. His body was crushed and death was instantaneous. He is survived by a widow, three daughters and two sons. He has resided on the same farm near Bloomfield for twenty years.

SATURDAY

Continuous show—2:30 to 10:30

Gigantic! Historical—Thrilling!

KEN MAYNARD in

"The Red Raiders"

Where the sunburned desert stretches into a glorious adventure—where our forefathers gave their lives for the West—where hostile Indians roamed the plains—there's the locale of this stirring drama. And Ken Maynard re-enacts those scenes so daringly—so thrillingly—you will cheer him to the echo!

AESOP FABLES and Episode No. 10 "MELTING MILLIONS"

Continuous Show 2:30 to 10:30

2:30 to 6:30 Admission 10c & 25c

6:30 to 10:30 Admission 15c & 25c

MONDAY

Afternoon and Evening

All loyal laffers will respond to this joy alarm!

GEORGE SIDNEY and CHARLIE MURRAY

"The Life of Riley"

Just imagine George Sidney as Chief of Police and Charlie Murray as Fire Chief—two big shots in a one-horse town! Then imagine them both in love with the handsome widow who has a crush on a circus shell-game expert—and you have an inkling of the season's wildest laugh-riot.

NEWS AND COMEDY

Bargain Matinee Every Monday at 3 p. m. Admission 10c and 25c

Nite 7:00 p. m. 15c and 35c

Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey
Sikeston High Defeats Caruthersville High

The Sikeston High School gymnasium was the scene of more pep and held a larger crowd Friday evening than has been witnessed within the last two years.

The Caruthersville girls were outclassed from the start. The score was so one-sided from the beginning that during the middle of the first half nearly the whole of our second team was substituted. Edna Ryan was given her first chance to play in public and played well as guard.

During the last half the first team was put in with Littleton switched to forward, Mathis to jump-center, Albritton, running center; Arbaugh and M. Baker, guards and H. Baker and Mount, forwards and walked right off with the victory with a score of 32-18.

The boys' game started and continued through the greater part of the first half with the score showing nothing to nothing. The two teams seemed to be so evenly matched, that it looked as if we might have a nothing to nothing game.

Caruthersville at last broke the monotony by making a free goal. When this happened the Bulldogs put all they had into it. From this time until the end the score was kept the same. Even five minutes before the climax was reached, the score was 20 to 20. The people on the sideline were on their toes, gritting their teeth, and putting on a show interesting to see. Then all of a sudden, Caruthersville made a free goal; Sikeston followed suit, making the score 21-21. Then Caruthersville raised it two more and Sikeston followed with three. Caruthersville was almost certain of the victory as it was almost time for the whistle when Capt. Weekley made a long shot, making the score 26 for Sikeston as the whistle blew.

We are glad to say that Miss Margaret Besgrove, instructor in English and French, is able to be back with us again, after a few days' absence on account of illness.

The football squad received their sweaters Saturday morning and stepped out Saturday night. The sweaters are very pretty, being a cardinal red with the red and black "S" on the front.

Coach Moore delivered us a very interesting speech Monday morning in assembly. We only hope that it proves effective.

Boys who are able to carry a gun and hunt in this State must first have purchased a license to do so. This statement emanated from the State Game and Fish Department today and is made in the hope that the press generally will give it circulation and enable the game wardens of Missouri to avoid making arrests of minors. The law, however, makes no exception. It presumes that anyone old enough to carry a gun and hunt is subject to the law requiring the purchase of a license as a prerequisite to hunt. Parents should make a note of this fact and make arrests unnecessary. Game wardens are without any option in the matter but are expected to enforce the law regardless of age, color or "previous condition of servitude."

FOR SALE—Household furniture.—826 North Ranney. Call 247 tf.

FOR RENT—3 unfurnished rooms and two furnished rooms. Modern. Phone 382.

FOR SALE—Steel range cook stove, in good condition. To go cheap.—327 Greer Avenue. 1tp.

FOR RENT—6-room modern home, garage, cabin and garden. Apply to Marion Jewell. 2tpd.

FOR SALE—Cobs, double bedded wagon load, 75c delivered. Phone 77.—Dan McCoy, Jr.

FOR RENT—4 rooms and garage. Lights in house. 625 Kendall Street. Call 506 Charleston, Mo. 3t.

FOR RENT—130 acres good corn land near Sikeston, good improvements.—Louise M. Lewis, Hotel Marshall.

FOR RENT—5-room house, lights and water, one block from business district. See Alvin Taylor, phone 433. tf.

WANTED—To buy vacant lot in business section of town. See or phone Dennis Murphy at Cocoa Cola Bottling Works.

FOR RENT—6-room apartment, newly papered, furnace, bath, electric lights, screened porch and garage. Phone 58 tf.

LOST—At the basketball game Friday night, a yellow gold Elgin wrist watch. Leave at Standard office or with Miss Lottie Dover.

FOR SALE—The following furniture at a bargain: 1 dining room suite, 1 living room suite, 1 bed room suite, 3 rugs, one dresser, one chiffonier, 1 bed, complete; 1 cot, 1 refrigerator, large; 1 4-burner oil stove, 1 hall runner. Call Phone 247.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Local men have subscribed most of the money needed to operate the projected cannery for next year. The plan is to enlarge the capacity of the plant of I. R. Graham and move it to town, so that he can do a car lot business. Mr. Graham has for years been a successful canner in the Lead Belt, and this year canned some very fine tomatoes here.

The Southeast Missourian informs the writer that it is very much interested in the expansion of the trucking business in Southeast Missouri, which had its beginnings in Morehouse, Sikeston, Lillbourn, Caruthersville, Bernie and Campbell last year under very unfavorable circumstances. It is proposed to extend the activities of the Delta Truck Growers Association which was formed last year for the production of cabbage to include potatoes, spinach and other truck crops for carlot shipments.

Dan Baker has started his season's work of manufacturing beehives. He plans this year to manufacture a large stock ahead of orders so that he can quickly supply all wants.

The Morehouse basketball team lost to Cape Central 22 to 14 in a fast game at the Cape Thursday. The diminutive court was a disadvantage to the locals. The Morehouse girls' team won over Canolou Friday night 19-17, and the Morehouse Independents defeated the unbeaten Canolou bobcats by a close margin.

Prof. P. J. Stearns visited the Morehouse schools, Friday.

A surprise shower was given to Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Hart Friday. Many useful gifts were received and a good time was had.

WITH THE SICK

We are glad to report that Mrs. Mary Meiderhoff, who has been critically ill, is slowly improving.

Mrs. Gossitt, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Emergency Hospital is doing very satisfactorily.

Dr. O. E. Kendall's condition is about the same. He rested a little better Sunday night and seemed a little stronger Monday morning.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Witt, who has been very ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Witt on N. Ranney, is improved and the parents returned to their home in the country. Mrs. Witt was called to her daughter's, Mrs. Raymond Marshall, in Blodgett, on account of illness of her baby.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barrett entertained with a family dinner, Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Yanson and Mrs. Edmiston of Kennett spent a few days in St. Louis.

Gord Dill and son, Hildreth, will go to St. Louis tonight (Monday), where Mr. Dill will consult a specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, Misses Hyacinth Sheppard and Evelyn Sutton spent Sunday afternoon in Cape Girardeau.

Ormond Barnes is seeking jobs of distributing bills, posters, or other printed matter. The Standard can recommend him to the public as a lad who will do the work right.

Tip Keller and Mrs. Keller are the proud parents of a baby girl born in Cairo, Friday, January 13. The young lady has been named Sara Sue. Tip says he is disappointed as he wanted two.

The bass fishing season closes on March 1, but channel cat may be taken until June 10, when the season closes for one month. No fishing may be done during March, April and May for fish other than channel cat, those months being spawning season for bass, goggle-eye, jack salmon and crappie.

A good hill farm home, one mile from Benton, is offered for sale at a great bargain, containing 120 acres in good state of cultivation with substantial new residence and two good barns, with land all fenced. Will be sold for the cost of improvements on the land. Good community schools and churches.—Thos. B. Dudley, Trustee. 1t

Warden R. E. Taft and Special Deputy Paul Bellew made record speed in three arrests consummated by them January 13. They arrested two men near Huntsville and one at McBaine during the night of the 12th, got them to a Justice where all three were convicted, two paying their fines and the third going to jail, and were in Jefferson City with a reposit of the cases at 11 o'clock the morning of the thirteenth.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church in East Prairie was routed from its quilting bee Thursday morning when the home in which they were quilting was found to be on fire. A guest who was late in arriving discovered the roof of the residence of the hostess, Mrs. E. C. Kerner, to be on fire. A bucket brigade was formed, which held the fire in check until the fire department came. The fire was confined to the roof.



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Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Allard entertained with a family dinner, Sunday.

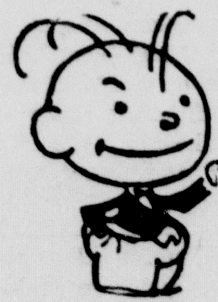
Charles Lumsden and David Lumsden, Jr., of Matthews spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden.

Misses Francoise Black of Wewoka, Okla., Hilma Black and Lottie Dover were supper guests at the C. L. Blanton home, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Harry Dover entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday for her son, Bobbie. The following little boys, members of his Sunday School Class, enjoyed the occasion: J. B. Greer, Bill Barnhart, Paul Bowman, Jr., Ben Bowman, Edward Matthews, Bob Matthews, Kleinhamer.

A loss of \$24,498 was suffered in Charleston due to fires in 1927, according to the annual report of the fire department. Forty-five different blazes reported during the year made the total \$4284 higher than that for 1926, and \$4000 higher than the average for the past six years.

Brick work on the new Matthews Building on Center Street is under way and will be rushed to completion as fast as the weather will permit. Work on the foundation for the rebuilding of the Robinson Lumber Co. building will begin the first of the week if the weather permits of pouring concrete.



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SENSEBAUGH'S SUPER SERVICE STATION

And Goodyear tubes, of course

Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children returned Friday, from a pleasant visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Huckleby in Jacksonville, Ill.

Thieves entered the home of G. W. Arterburn Friday night and stole all of Mrs. Arterburn's wearing apparel, her bed and table linens and all of her son-in-law's and daughter's, Dr. and Mrs. Chester Limbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Keller were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden, Sunday.

The Mississippi County Farm Loan Association has elected W. R. Morgan, C. M. Emory, Lee Presson, G. C. McMican and J. E. Harper as directors and J. E. Harper, president; G. C. McMican, vice president, and P. H. Teal, secretary-treasurer.

Your Gain Our Loss

To make room for our Spring goods we have slashed prices. Every article guaranteed. Only one of each so make your selection early.

\$48.00 Westinghouse Grecian urn set, now	\$28.50
31.00 Westinghouse Grecian urn set, now	22.50
38.50 Westinghouse Grecian urn set, now	28.50
31.00 Universal urn set, now	22.50
32.50 Rotax Vacuum cleaner, complete, now	19.50
15.00 Art Craft Table Lamp, now	9.75
22.50 Art Craft Floor Lamp, now	13.50
18.00 Art Craft Floor Lamp, now	11.50
18.00 Miller Table Lamp	9.00
20.00 Miller Table Lamp	12.50
16.50 Miller Table Lamp	12.50
6.50 Boudoir Lamp, now	4.00
3.00 Boudoir Lamp, now	2.00
4.50 Quality Toaster, now	3.00
6.50 Universal Toaster, now	3.50
10.00 Excel Cooker (cooks a full meal at one time), now	7.50
9.00 Hold Heat Breakfast Set (consisting of Percolator, grill & toaster), now	4.50
2.50 Popcorn popper, now	1.75
4.00 Bed Lamp, now	1.50
6.00 Westinghouse 6-lb. iron, now	5.00
6.50 Universal Curling iron with comb, now	3.25
3.00 Universal table stove (slightly used), now	2.00

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SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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The Standard is authorized to pay
\$50 cash for information that will
lead to the arrest and conviction of
anyone contributing to juvenile delin-
quency. It is believed a moron is
among the small boys and a hanging
is likely to happen unless the asylum
opens for him. Information will be
left with the editor of The Standard
or anyone having a lead to such per-
son, please call.

Washington Hocks says home life,
according to a lot of writers and talk-
ers, has been broken down and de-
stroyed, because people won't stay at
home; but he reads in adjacent col-
umns of the papers and magazines
where thousands upon thousands of
new and modern homes are being
built every day. He says the upshot of
the whole business is that the people
of other days would have gone around
just like they do now if they had
had any way to travel except walk.—
Commercial Appeal.

"Some married women think they
should be privileged to keep their
maiden names", says Reno Ritzel, and
some husbands wish they had.

The plan suggested in this paper
several weeks ago for a division of
the State into districts for the hold-
ing of fairs instead of holding one
fair at Sedalia, has met with the fa-
vor of many subscribers, and the editor
has received several letters of in-
quiry and endorsement of the sugges-
tion. We have not had the time to in-
vestigate just what the present fair
is costing the State over any long pe-
riod of years, but know that much
money was expended for buildings
several years ago, and that these will
have to be replaced in the near future
and others added. During the last
eight years we know that the average
appropriation of the four legislatures
has been approximately \$270,000, or
in other words the fair has cost the
State annually \$135,000. Our conten-
tion is that a very small per cent
of the people outside of Central Mis-
souri derive any benefit or pleasure
out of the fair, whereas if an addi-
tional fair was held near each of the
four corners of the State that all the
people would profit. If this annual
appropriation were divided into five
parts it would give each district fair
an annual appropriation of approxi-
mately \$27,000, a very decent amount,
and sufficient with a small amount of
aid from each county in the districts
to insure creditable fairs. We trust
that the next Legislature will give
some consideration to a plan of this
nature.—Jackson Cash-Book.

There will be no peace between
those famous bedfellows, politics and
prohibition, until one of them is de-
bunked.—Virginian-Pilot.

THE SHIRKING SCHOLAR

What is to be done with youths who
simply refuse to apply themselves to
study?

The old answer was—to drop them
out of school. Since this is no longer
the easy solution it once was, because
of compulsory schooling laws, the
lazy and indifferent are carried along
through the grades, with sporadic ef-
forts to reform them. Efforts are
made also to render education attrac-
tive. But interest is not readily
aroused in shiftless minds, or if
aroused it soon is lulled to sleep.

The unresponsive pupil will always
be an annoyance to most teachers, a
challenge to the few who face class-
room tasks in the spirit of adventure.
So much for the teacher's side of
it. Where parents co-operate wisely
with the school the laggard may at
least be kept off the streets, and now
and then induced to study, if only for
a brief period.—Journal of Education.

Many of our business men prefer
to have 61 highway follow from the
south to the north, Kingshighway
through Sikeston, instead of skirting
the city to the east. The right-of-way
just north of the city will be guaran-
teed, while they will pay nothing for
the right-of-way just south of Sikes-
ton. To run the road north and meet
the highway just beyond the Louis
Baker place will give a straight line
from New Madrid north to Morley,
thence one curve, then straight to
Benton. Sikeston is the half way
point between Memphis and St. Louis,
is the junction of 60 and 61 highways,
is junction of several bus lines, and
it would be more convenient to the
public and helpful to Sikeston if 61
would enter and leave Sikeston over
Kingshighway. A special session of
the City Council will be held this
Tuesday evening and a delegation of
business men will probably appear in
behalf of this proposition.

The Standard editor is not up to
the technicalities of basketball, but
it appeared to us that the Caruthers-
ville boys played rings around Sikes-
ton up to the last quarter. The last
two or three minutes of play were too
fast for old eyes. Sikeston girls were
never in danger and Edna Mount
could center the hoop every shot. It
was a treat to see some of the keen
work of both teams from both towns.

Mrs. Ella Old left Friday for Mem-
phis, Tenn., where she will visit her
son, Fred Old and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall and
daughter, Emily, and Miss Francoise
Black of Wewoka, Okla., are here for
a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. John
Fields and Miss Marcella Shaw were
dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E.
Arthur, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dannemueller and Mr.
and Mrs. Joe Dannemueller of Oran
were visitors to Sikeston, Sunday, to
see Mrs. Mary Meiderhoff, who has
been critically ill.

Bernal Primo de Rivera, the Span-
ish premier, carries in the left hand
pocket of his trousers two raw pota-
toes. He suffers from rheumatism
and in Spain it is believed that if one
carries two potatoes in his pocket the
rheumatism will be kept at bay.

The Auxiliary meeting will be held
at the home of Mrs. Paul Anderson
Thursday evening instead of Wednes-
day. The reason for this change is
that on Wednesday, the American Le-
gion is having their picture of the
World War on at the Malone Theatre.

COTTON FARMERS VOTE TO WITHHOLD SURPLUS

New Orleans, January 12.—A plan
providing for withholding the surplus
crop from the market until the price
should provide a "reasonable profit"
and to reduce acreage whenever a
surplus was grown was adopted un-
animously by a meeting of Southern
cotton farmers under the auspices of
the American Cotton Association yes-
terday.

The plan which was submitted by
Col. Harvie Jordan of Greenville, S. C.,
manager of the Better Farming cam-
paign of the American Cotton Asso-
ciation, provided that the plan be ad-
ministered by a chairman and vice-
chairman in each county and that ex-
penses should be provided by levying
10 cents a bale on the cotton and \$10
a year on banks handling loans to
producers.

A resolution was adopted urging
that cotton acreage be reduced this
year and that the smaller acre be cul-
tivated more intensively so as to in-
crease the yield of better spinnable
cotton per acre at a lower cost of pro-
duction, and that land which will not
produce a half bale of lint cotton be
planted in a legume crop.

A cotton financing corporation
"with sufficient capital to finance and
hold off the market any temporary
surplus of cotton produced in any
year in order to stabilize the price of
cotton and make the crop bring the
average cost of production and a rea-
sonable profit on the capital and la-
bor invested" was favored.

The lead in this movement, the res-
olution said, should be taken by the
bankers of the South who "should
show their willingness to go the limit
of their financial and business ability
to make the cotton crop bring its real
value".

Diversification of crops was advo-
cated in another resolution which
stated that "in the interest of safe
and sane farming in the South we
urge a largely increased planting in
food, feed and legume crops and an
increase in dairy cattle and poultry".

The resolution stated that "the
cotton growing states continue the
unwise policy of planting enough
acres in cotton without profit to
the rank and file of the growers while
importing hundreds of millions of
dollars worth of food and feed from
other states".

A committee of 12 will be appoint-
ed by J. S. Wannamaker, president
of the association to execute the
plans for controlling the surplus
crop and to reduce acreage. One mem-
ber will be named from each cotton
growing state.

80 LOCAL MEN TO TAKE PART IN HOME PLAY

Much interest is being created over
a great stunt which is to take place
here January 25 and 26. It is to be a
"Womanless Wedding", not a woman
in it—all men! Can you imagine our
business men, by magic touch of lip
stick, rouge and eyebrow pencil sud-
denly becoming beautiful girls,
charming debutantes, stately matrons
and vamping creatures? The only
way to believe it is to see it.

A very capable director of the
Simpson Levie Producing Co. of
Bardstown, Kentucky, has arrived in
our city to direct this popular produc-
tion. The Chamber of Commerce of
this place is sponsoring the affair and
are hearty in their co-operation and
enthusiastic over the contemplated
success. "The Womanless Wedding"
is being staged all over the state this
season by this Company, and glowing
reports come from other towns that
packed houses greeted the perform-
ances both nights. In the larger towns
there have been as many as 1500 peo-
ple witness the play.

It is a clean wholesome bit of old-
fashioned humor that makes the old
laugh young again and the young
laugh until their sides ache. In other
words it is one continuous roar of
laughter, a cyclone of fun, and a riot
of splendor. Many beautiful costumes
will be worn by our local men, so plan
to see the funniest thing ever wit-
nessed in Sikeston. Who would you
choose for the beautiful blushing
bride?

Mrs. Joe Hunter Allen and son re-
turned to her home in St. Joe after a
pleasant visit with homefolks.

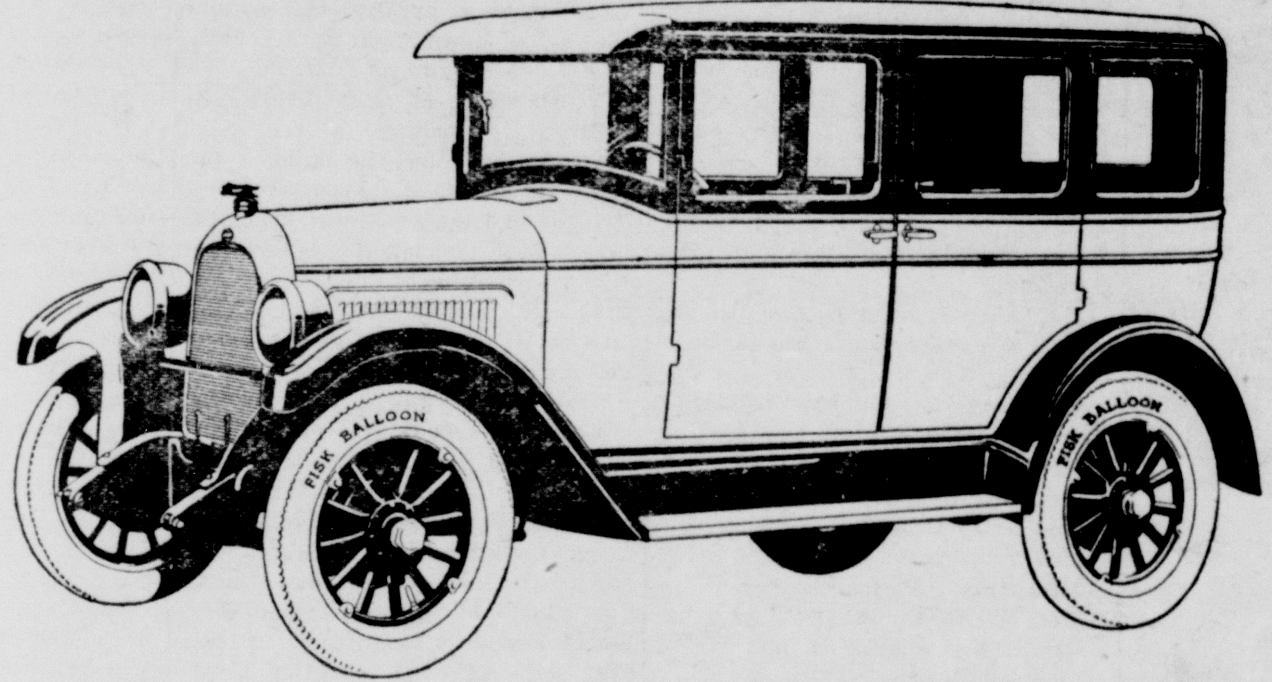
Possibly the largest taxpayer in St.
Francois Co. is the St. Joseph Lead
Co., which last year paid the county
\$334,624.83, according to County Col-
lector H. W. Coffield. Three other lead
mining companies brought the income
from this source to more than a half
million dollars. They are: Doe Run
Lead Co., \$100,953.35; Desloge Con-
solidated Lead Co., \$77,097.28, and St.
Louis Smelting & Refining Co., 26-
513.98. Other corporations which paid
county taxes varying from \$2500 to
\$17,500 are the Missouri Pacific Rail-
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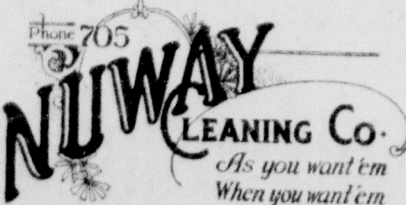
There is an old axiom which reads:

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A piece of pure lead ore picked up
by George E. Straughan, of Route 4,
Farmington, has aroused speculation
as to whether Straughan's farm land
has ore in paying quantities. Straughan
says one company drilled on the
land a number of years ago and that
he knows they found a rich deposit,
although they refused to buy the
tract. Local residents claim that the
Jake Day tract, now being worked sa-
tisfactorily by the St. Joseph Lead
Co., was 'condemned' three times be-
fore being developed.

Plans were completed and approved
by the Odd Fellows and Knights of
Pythias lodges of Poplar Bluff for
the construction of a three-story brick
office and lodge building on the site
of the old three-story structure, which
was badly damaged on last May 9 by
the windstorm. Work is expected to
start by March 1. The building will
be arranged for offices on the first and
second floors, and the third floor will
be used for lodge and club rooms. The
two lodges formed an incorporation
known as the Fraternal Building Co.,
and the board of trustees of that con-
cern has approved plans for the new
structure.

The successful politician is one
who keeps on his toes all the time but
who never gets on the other fellow's.
—Virginian-Pilot.

The Woman's Club will hold their
regular meeting at the home of Mrs.
C. E. Brenton Tuesday afternoon with
Mrs. John Powell as leader for the
afternoon.

E. E. Brasfield, who has been dis-
trict agricultural extension agent for
Howell and Ozark Counties for two
years, has resigned to become agri-
cultural extension agent for Pettis
County. His headquarters will be at
Sedalia.

The Home Oil Co. station at East
Prairie was robbed late Saturday
night, resulting in the loss of several
dollars. One window was jimmied
open and a glass in another was bro-
ken where the burglars crawled thru
when they robbed the cash register.
The men were tracked next morning
several hundred feet towards the vil-
lage of Whiting. The Home Oil Co.
is managed by Orba Lewis and is
owned by the Simpson Oil Co., of
Charleston who own and operate sta-
tions in East Prairie, Charleston and
Sikeston.

A visiting scientist says children
can spell better than their fathers.
That being the case, why don't they?
—Nashville Banner.

The longest term of servitude or-
dered by a jury in circuit court in
Butler County from the sale of liquor
came today when James Butler, coun-
ty farmer, was sentenced to one year
in jail. He was convicted for selling
a half pint of whisky, which he said
he found.

An average of approximately 100
hunting and fishing licenses each day
have been issued at New Madrid by
County Clerk C. L. V. Jones in the

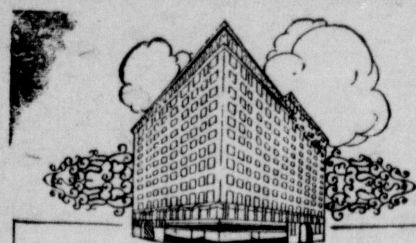
first few days of the new year. The
total number issued in 1927 was 2226,
an unusually large number. One of
the reasons for the increase shown
last year was the reappearance of
game fish in streams and drainage
ditches of the county, it is said. For
a number of years New Madrid Coun-
ty water courses have been practical-
ly devoid of game fish, but back water
from the Mississippi flood last sum-
mer replenished the supply. Fishing
was a common pastime until far into
the winter season this year, the zero
weather a few days ago being the first
serious interference.

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The Green Cloak

By
YORKE DAVIS

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There must have been some standard, some test that he tried those coast lines by. When they did not fit it, he destroyed them. That test or standard may have existed solely in his memory. If not, if it was a thing committed to paper, then we can find it. Whatever it was, he must have been in the habit of referring to it constantly. In that case, I have no doubt that it's somewhere in this room. Take the lamp and hold it at the other end of the bookshelves—so. Now raise it so that the light will fall horizontally along the top shelf.

He had stationed himself at the opposite end from where I stood, and he sighted along the project edge of the shelf as I raised the lamp to the height he indicated.

"Try the next one," he said, "—so. And now the next. There; that'll do. We've got it, if I'm not mistaken."

He walked over toward my end of the case and pulled a book out of the third shelf.

"Our thanks are due to the old woman for not being too good a housekeeper," he observed in comment. "The dust on those books is evidence enough that he was not in the habit of reading them. But this one shows a clear track in and out of the shelf. There's no better hiding place for a sheet of paper than a book."

He balanced the book carefully in both hands, and then let it open where it would.

"Well," he said, "I think we've found it," for there between the two yellow pages was a bluish sheet of semi-transparent paper, folded.

He laid down the book and opened up the paper. It was a map, too, and

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as I looked at it closely, I saw that it was executed on a very large scale. It was a map of a very narrow-necked peninsula. The soundings in the sea all about it were indicated frequently. Over the surface of the land itself were various little numerals, which had their explanation in a legend in the corner. One had only to read a little way down this explanatory column to see with what minute care the map had been drawn, and on how large a scale. Such unimportant objects, from a geographer's point of view, as a granite boulder or a blasted tree had their position indicated.

No, the purpose of that map-maker had not been purely geographical. So much was clear.

"It's a tracing, you see," Doctor McAllister observed. "He's got the original locked away somewhere, now. But, do you notice, there's nothing on the sheet, anywhere, to indicate in what part of the world this bit of land lies? There's no latitude or longitude indicated. We'll have to get the original to find that."

At that, the explanation of the whole mystery of this wilderness of maps flashed across my mind.

"No," I cried, "he hasn't got latitude or longitude on the original, either! He never knew, to the day of his death, any better than we know now, into what sea that little peninsula juts its head. That's what he spent the last three years of his life hunting for."

Doctor McAllister nodded gravely. "You are quite right," he said; "right beyond a doubt. There's no knowing what there is to be found on that bit of headland, but whatever it is, he wanted it badly."

It was natural that we should both fall silent just then, natural, too, that in our excitement over the discovery, our nerves were higher strung than usual. It had grown pretty late. There was a dead stillness within the house. The only sound, save the ticking of a clock, that came to our ears was the occasional moan of a gust of wind through the trees and around the corners of the house. So it was natural that we both started violently when a gust of wind blew open one of the windows, with a bang, and caused our lamp to flicker and then go out.

I laughed nervously, and wiped my forehead with the back of my hand. It was wet. Then I rose, or rather, started to rise, and spoke at the same time—began to speak, at any rate. What I had in mind to say was, that I would close the window if the doctor would relight the lamp.

But before I had said three words, the compelling grip of his muscular hand thrust me back into my chair, and my sentence trailed off into a sort of gasp.

So, for a moment, we sat breathless.

"Somebody's getting in," I whispered presently. "It must be Mallory."

"Mallory has a key," he retorted. "Listen—"

No, that was not Mallory. It was not anybody trying to get in, for somebody had already succeeded—somebody who was already making his way, with swift, almost incredibly stealthy steps, up the stairs from the second floor to the room where we were sitting.

We drew back into an obscure corner and stood close together, half-crouching, eyeing the door.

Presently we saw it opening. And then there emerged from its shadow a face we both knew—a face neither of us is ever likely to forget. The eyes in that face we had never seen before, for they had been closed the last time we looked at it. Now they were about all we could see. The black hair lost itself in the shadow which enveloped the doorway, and the olive-brown skin was itself a shadow. But the eyes—those eyes—burned with the flaming green intensity of a leopard's.

The doctor and I shrank back into our corner and waited, breathlessly, to see what she would do. The first thing was curious, and little to be expected. She closed behind her the door by which she had entered. Then, with brisk certainty, but with no noise at all, she moved toward the desk. That brought her a little nearer us.

She had got within arm's reach of the swivel chair, when suddenly, like a flash, all the motion of her body was arrested. Her attitude had something of the frozen alertness that one sees in a setter dog when he points game. We could see her face better now; it was turned squarely toward us. But, apparently, she did not see us. That was natural, for we were deep in the shadow. But she knew we were there. The next moment I perceived that she knew by virtue of the same sense that the setter uses. She had caught our scent. Her head went back a little, her nostrils dilated, and she seemed to be drawing in a deep breath.

I have no command of English to describe the suddenness and unexpectedness of the thing that happened then. She stood there before us, as I have said, like one frozen, so still was she. And then, with no preliminary motion whatever, no crouch, no visible gathering up of the forces for a spring, she flashed across the room toward the open window, like a dancing shadow. For just an instant I saw her etched in profile as she poised upon the sill. And then she was gone.

I had followed her to the window as swiftly as my clumsy, human motions would permit, and looked down, expecting to see her lying bruised and broken on the frozen ground. Instead of that, I saw the fleeting shadow of her moving swiftly across the snowy lawn toward the gate.

A moment later, bare-headed, bare-handed, I was running at top speed down the rough, frozen country road in the direction I had seen her take.

Before I had gone fifty yards, I heard other footsteps pounding along behind me, and a momentary fear that my old chief had been reckless enough to risk his bones in such a chase caused me to pause and turn back. It was not Doctor McAllister, however, but the detective, Mallory, and as he panted up alongside me, he said:

"I saw her coming down the rain pipe. She might almost as well have fallen, she came down so fast. What was she like? I don't suppose you got anything of a look at her, though."

"No," said I. "The wind had just blown out the lamp, and we were there in the dark when she came in."

"It doesn't matter," he said briefly, "as we plowed along, side by side. 'I'll know what she's like well enough when I come up with her. But there is no use in your keeping up the chase. I'll get her alone, never fear. Nothing that wears skirts can outrun me.'"

I was already half inclined to take his advice and turn back, for the pace was beginning to tell on me, when I tripped over something and fell headlong.

By the time I had picked myself up and shaken some of the loose snow out of my sleeves, he was already a hundred yards ahead down the road. I was about spent, so, regretfully, I turned back.

But for one moment I passed curiously to investigate the cause of my fall. It had been something soft, something that gave a little as my foot



It Was a Cloak, a Green Cloak, and the Collar Was Cut High in the Back.

struck it, and then clung. It had been entirely covered by the snow, which had fallen out here in the country to a depth of nearly six inches.

I scuffled around in it with my feet until I found it. Then I stooped and picked it up. It must be a shawl or a blanket, I thought, as I shook the snow out of its folds and held it out in both hands. No, it was neither. It was a cloak; a green cloak, and the collar was cut high in the back.

I cast a glance over my shoulder. Mallory was already out of sight in the distance. I threw the cloak over my arm and trudged back to the house.

CHAPTER IV

Early the next morning Doctor McAllister and I took one of the trains upon which the male population of Oak Ridge habitually goes to town upon its several and various business. We had by no means exhausted the possibilities of discovery which still lay concealed, we felt sure, within that lonely old house where we had passed so strange a night; nor had we solved its mystery. But matters of a more instant importance compelled us, for a while, to abandon it.

In the first place, we knew that, little as we liked the prospect, it was our clear duty to report to Ashton what we knew of the mysterious, wild creature who had escaped from the hospital and was now at large. By one means or another, she must be found as quickly as possible. She had already destroyed one life—of that we were practically sure—and until she was safely under restraint again, we could have no guaranty that she would not destroy others. To thwart that possibility, we must call in Ashton and the police, however little to our liking such a course might be.

We deferred our breakfast until our arrival in town, memories of the dinner we had had the night before making it easy to go hungry for a while. We were later getting in than we expected to be, for a combination of fog and freezing sleet delayed our train. Out of the car windows we could see as we crawled along, that the telegraph wires were already sagging under their white armor of ice. As soon as we got in, we drove straight to The Meredith.

In the restaurant we found Ashton himself, just sitting down to breakfast. He welcomed us with an eagerness that showed that he had already heard some report of our adventure of the night before.

"I was on the point of telephoning for you," he said, "but you've saved the precious hour or two by coming on your own account. Mallory reported to me here at six o'clock this morning, having come all the way from Oak Ridge on foot, and without getting the slightest trace of the mysterious woman who invaded the Morgan house last night. I confess that her appearance throws a different light on Harvey's testimony. And I think

you'll agree that, in all probability she is the criminal."

"I've no doubt myself," said Doctor McAllister, "that it was her hands that strangled old Morgan."

"Well, then, she's the criminal, isn't she?" said Ashton; and regarding the answer to this question as too obvious to be waited for, he went straight on. "The whole energies of the police and of all the detective force connected with our office will be bent toward finding her. What I want from you—both of you, independently—is the most complete and careful description you can give of the physical appearance of the woman who entered Henry Morgan's study last night."

"You can describe her for yourself," said Doctor McAllister rather shortly. "You have a talent that way."

"What do you mean?" "You've seen her. You've enjoyed a good look at her. She's the girl that Reinhardt sent for us to see at St. Michael's two nights ago."

Ashton stared in clear amazement, first at the doctor and then at me. "You're sure?" he gasped.

"Perfectly," said I gravely. For a moment he sat silent. Then he frowned.

"May I ask whether you had any suspicion, when we saw her there at the hospital, that she might prove to have some connection with this case?"

"Yes," said my chief bluntly; "it's your right to ask. I did suspect a connection between her and the Oak Ridge mystery. I recognized and understood the language in which she was chattering to herself. It's a language that, with minor variations, is spoken in all those islands in the South Pacific. The thing she was singing to herself was a death chant."

Ashton looked pretty grave at that. "I won't presume," he said, "to question your motive for your reticence with me the other night. Undoubtedly it seemed justifiable to you, but, as a result of it, a dangerous criminal is now at large. I admit it was not a result you could have foreseen, for I remember your recommendation that she be closely watched, and I have no doubt that with the clew you've just given me it won't be many hours before we find her. A strange creature like that, half-wild, chattering a language that no one can understand, cannot remain hidden very long. I can't understand, though," he went on, "the reason you gentlemen have for wishing to withhold from me your full confidence. You haven't given it to me yet. You've discovered some-

thing more that bears upon this case which I haven't heard of."

"We have," said the doctor, "and it was with the purpose of telling you about it that we came back to town this morning—that was part of our purpose, at any rate. Do you remember the green cloak which you so confidently declared to be nothing but a bit of fiction, born of Will Harvey's puerile vanity? Well, we've found that. A green cloak, with a high collar, just as Harvey described it."

Ashton eagerly demanded the details as to where and how the cloak was found, and these I supplied him with.

Then there was a little silence. His displeasure over our previous reticence was suddenly swallowed up in his interest in the revelations we made to him.

"That's one to Mallory, certainly," he said at last. "He was right and I was wrong."

"How do you make that out?" I questioned.

"Didn't I tell you that Mallory suspected Harvey of some active connection with the crime, and thought that he was lying to shield himself? The discovery of the cloak makes it evident that he was right. He knew who the actual criminal was, knows now, and was undoubtedly associated with her. He probably thought to save himself by giving us the clew that would lead to her detection. In his eagerness, he overreached himself and told too much, told more than he could possibly have seen. If his testimony is as to how he saw it were true."

He broke off there with a short laugh. "But confess," he said, turning to my chief, "confess that this discovery of Phelps puts your theory of associative illusion completely out of court. Harvey testified to a black-haired woman in a green cloak, and denies that he saw more of her than her silhouette upon the shade. We know now that a black-haired woman in a green cloak was actually there, from which it follows that Harvey lied, knew that he lied. And to have lied about a matter which he knew to be vital and significant, he must have some powerful, and probably guilty, motive. I don't believe that you can get away from the logic of that."

"Your conclusion is probable," said my chief, "but it's not inevitable."

Ashton dismissed the denial with a mere tolerant shrug, and set it down to the obstinacy of old age.

"You brought the cloak to town with

you, I suppose," he went on presently. I nodded. "You'll want it, I presume?"

"Yes," he said. "It may prove a valuable bit of bait, not for the girl herself, of course, but possibly for one of her accomplices. I'll have Harvey arrested at once. Surveillance isn't good enough for him now; I want him in jail."

"You promised me a chance at Harvey after you got through with him. Do you remember?" said the doctor. "I hope you don't mean to withdraw it."

Ashton stared at him. "You still think you can beat up anything in that covert?" he asked incredulously. "Oh, well, I've no objection to your trying. I'll have him arrested at once and brought to town. Where do you want him? At your laboratory?"

"Yes," said the doctor. "When may we expect him? This afternoon, some time?"

"Yes," said Ashton. "Not later than four o'clock."

The doctor swallowed the last of his coffee, pushed back his chair, and rose to his great ungainly height.

"Now, let's have an understanding," said he. "I've given you, freely, all the information you've asked for. It comprises pretty much all the information you have which can be of any service to you in the solution of the mystery of this crime. That, of course, is partly due to luck. I believe that I can solve that mystery by my methods. I believe that with your methods you will fail. Phelps and I are going to set about trying to find that girl for ourselves, in our own way. If we find her, we will examine her in our own way; and we shan't tell you anything about it until our investigation is complete."

Ashton smiled. "Of course you know," said he, "that you are proposing something that, under my oath of office, I can't permit. If you find that girl—I don't think it very likely that you will, but if you do, I shall be obliged to take her away from you and put her in safe keeping. And the methods I'll use to determine her guilt or innocence will be my methods, and not yours."

The doctor laughed. "That's understood," he said. "You're welcome to take her wherever you can find her, in my laboratory, or anywhere else. But if you don't find her—"

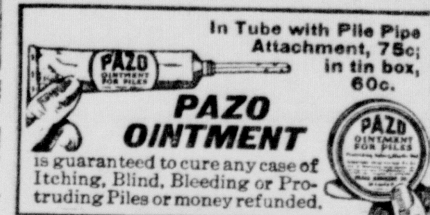
"That's thin ice, Doctor McAllister," Ashton interrupted earnestly. "If you proceed with that express determination of yours, I may find it necessary,

little as I'd like to, to have you watched, as persons suspected of compounding a felony."

"All right," said the doctor. "That's understood. Watch away all you like. But you'll still let me have a chance at Harvey?"

Ashton shrugged his shoulders with a vexation that was half-genuine, half-stimulated. "You don't deserve it," he said, "but I've made a promise and I'll stick to it."

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HOUSE DEBATES TARIFF
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Washington, January 13.—The tariff argument spread to the House today, when Representative Dickinson (Rep.) Iowa, one of the farm leaders, announced that a determined move to force consideration of the question, with a view to obtaining an upward readjustment of import schedules on agricultural products would be initiated.

While the Senate debated the resolution by McMaster (Rep.) South Dakota, for downward revision in favor of the farmer, Dickinson informed the House he was drafting a bill proposing increased import duties on corn, hides and vegetable oils and that other products would be included as soon as he received from the Tariff Commission a report for which he had asked several days ago.

He said he thought he would have the support of the whole House farm bloc. Representative Garner of Texas, Democratic leader of the House Ways and Means Committee, which would have jurisdiction over the Dickinson measure, predicted that the minority would vote to send the bill to the House floor.

The combination of these two groups would virtually make it certain that the bill would go before the House, even if opposed by House Republican leaders.

Garner emphasized that in voting to place the bill before the House the Democrats would not commit themselves to its support beyond that point. He said he felt a consideration of the tariff question would be beneficial at present and personally would use every effort to carry the measure to the House floor.

The administration forces took up the fight in the Senate today. Senator Fess (Rep.), Ohio, exhorting what he called the "spotted protectionists" in the Democratic ranks.

"By what theory?" he asked, "do some Democrats ask protection for articles produced in their states and oppose protection for articles produced in other states which come in competition with foreign goods?"

At the request of Senator Copeland (Dem.), New York, McMaster modified his resolution so as to make it call for downward revision only of "excessive schedules". The Senate agreed to vote at 3 p. m. Monday on the McMaster resolution.

Senator King (Dem.), Utah, advised Senator Fess that the Democratic position was that there should be no discrimination in tariffs either by section or classes.

Senator Brookhart (Rep.), Iowa, asserted that since the present tariff act became a law more than 1,000,000 farmers had lost their homes.

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New Years gladness for all mothers
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—Minnie Sayers Smith.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends for their help and sympathy extended to us in the sudden death of our beloved son, Alvin, and sincerely thank our many friends who sent the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Nicholson

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes entertained with a dinner Thursday evening.

The question of the right of a woman to sit in the dominion senate will be argued before the supreme court of Canada in February.

'SUMMERLESS' 1927
WARMER THAN USUAL

Washington, January 11.—Summarizing the much-discussed weather for 1927, "The Year Without a Summer", the Weather Bureau concluded today that for his country at large it was "warmer and wetter than normal, and that the growing season, represented by the period between the last killing frost in spring and the first in fall, was longer than in an average year".

Calling attention to reports that last year was to be "fraught with menace to the peoples of the world" because of widespread destruction of crops by cold and dry weather and a short growing season, the bureau said that "none of these calamities occurred, as crop damage, in general, by adverse weather was not greater than in many other recent years".

"Summer frosts were reported locally from the more Northern States", it said, "but such conditions are usual and occur nearly every year. In fact, they were not reported from as far south in 1927 as in recent past years".

Temperatures for the year, the bureau said, were above normal over more than 80 per cent of the country, the average being about 1 per cent warmer than normal, with 156 of the 179 reporting forecast stations having above normal warmth.

The growing season, the bureau continued, was longer than normal nearly a month longer than usual over considerable sections, and with "only limited and widely scattered areas having a growing season shorter than normal".

Herbert Janvri Bwone of Washington, ocean meteorologist and long-range weather forecaster, was the author of the "year without a summer" prediction as applied in 1927.

VATICAN ORGAN BLAMES U. S.
MASONS FOR MEXICAN ROW

Rome, January 12.—Osservatore Romano, official Vatican organ, prints a leading article today saying that Mexican persecution of the church and the "conspiracy of silence" concerning this are due largely to the influence of North American Masonry. Osservatore Romano bases its assumption on conclusions reached in an article by the Jesuit Father Koch in Stimmen der Zeit for January, 1928. Recalling that anti-religious strife in Mexico City is a hundred years old, this article said:

"North American Masonry conducted Juarez to victory in 1867 over Maximilian. The defeat of Huerta, who professed Catholic sentiments, also was its work. It inspired the illegal reform of the Constitution in 1917. In 1925 300 'brothers' of North American Masonry reorganized that of Mexico. They founded an anticlerical league which elaborated Calles' campaign plan."

TRUNK LINES DENIED
INCREASE IN RATES

Jefferson City, January 13.—A ruling by the State Public Service Commission denies application of the trunk line railroads for approval of schedules for intrastate shipments in less than carload lots of various commodities. The commission, in the same ruling, denied application of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway for increased rates on intrastate shipments of cement, plaster, stucco, lime and similar commodities in less than carload shipments.

Applications of the various roads included a multitude of commodity shipments. In many instances the request was for transferring certain commodities from commodity to class rates.

In all of these, except where the rate affected interstate shipments, the applications were denied.

In many instances in the long list of commodities that would have been affected, the result would have increased rates as high as 100 per cent.

In the ruling the commission says that after careful consideration of the evidence taken in the numerous hearings held the railroads have failed to justify the reasonableness of the advance proposed.

It is ordered that Atchison, Topoka and Santa Fe, the Chicago and Alton, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, Missouri-Kansas-Texas, Wabash, Missouri Pacific and all other lines participating in the Missouri intrastate applications of schedules published by E. B. Boyd and under investigation in this proceeding, be required to cancel all schedules under suspension upon notice by the commission. The order is effective January 19, 1928.

All of the members of the committee concurred in the ruling except the Hutchinson, absent on account of sickness.

FO RRENT—6-room house, newly decorated, lights, bath and water. See A. C. Barrett at Bank of Sikeston, Mo.

PREDICTS LARGE CORPORATIONS
WILL RUN FARMS

Urbana, Ill., January 11.—There are unmistakable signs that the present tendency in agriculture is toward enlargement and consolidation and even now there are corporations ready to invest their money in farms if they can be convinced that such investments are sound, D. Howard Doane of St. Louis today told farmers attending the thirty-first annual Farmers' Week at the Illinois College of Agriculture here.

One of the first of the causes which will bring corporation farming is the fact that the general trend in all business is toward enlargement and consolidation, and agriculture cannot remain the one exception, the speaker pointed out.

"In the second place", he said, the agriculture of the last decade has proven its inability to meet the test of 'operating profits' alone.

"Third, low agricultural prices, as they have prevailed since 1920, demand and force economies. These are not accomplished by subdividing and increasing the operating overheads and units, but rather by consolidations.

"Fourth, modern machinery which has its object the increasing of the volume of work per man, is playing a most important part in enlarging operations.

"Fifth, large and expensive equipment adapted to big but not small units that has as its purpose the refinement and processing of farm products already has made its appearance.

When it is thoroughly established, it will profoundly effect our present agricultural set-up from soil fertility to finished products."

One of the most generally recognized difficulties in the way of practical operation of large farm properties is the obtaining of efficient and proved management, in Doane's opinion. This represents a real difficulty which must be met when the demand for service unmistakably is evident and the agricultural colleges have the opportunity to shape their courses with the thought of developing farm executives, he said.

Education, co-operation and organization are providing a triple link in a chain of agricultural progress, John F. Cast, editor of the Missouri Ruralist, St. Louis, said. Always an individualist, the American farmer, especially the mid-Western farmer, is coming to realize as never before that in union there is strength, he declared.

"He is beginning to take a leaf from the book of organized labor and another from the book of organized industry", he said. "While retaining his identity and his opinion as an individual, he is rapidly progressing toward mass action in many things which affect his interest, including mass voting."

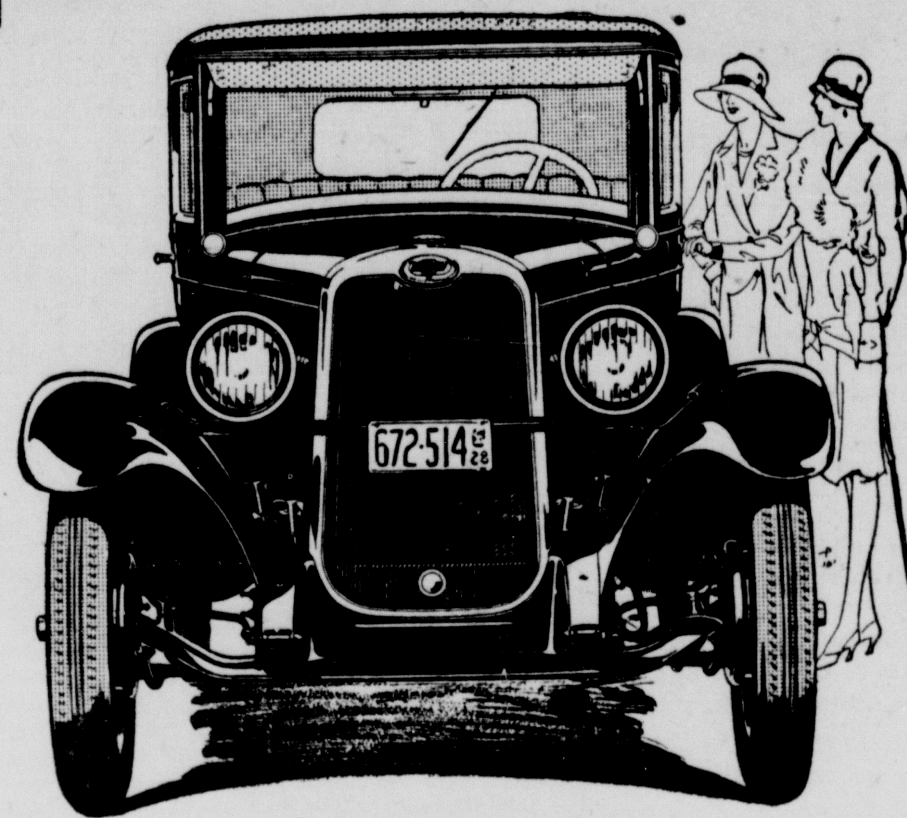
Case pointed out that more than ever before, farmers are demanding that candidates who propose to represent them be "farmer-minded", whether or not they are actual tillers of the soil. Party lines will be lightly ignored in the election of 1928, he predicted.

SURPLUS BIG-GAME ANIMALS
DISPOSED OF IN VARIOUS WAYS

In order to assure sufficient food for animals that are retained on the big-game reservations maintained by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, surplus animals are variously disposed of. Since no hunting is allowed on these big-game preserves, reduction is mainly accomplished through the capture and sale of animals for stocking or exhibition purposes. In the winter of 1924-25 a surplus of 221 buffalo was removed from the National Bison Range in Montana, and the next winter 388 surplus elk were shipped alive from the same reservation to purchasers in Massachusetts.

The overstocking of well-located refuges that are not too large may usually be prevented by regulated hunting outside. On larger preserves, or on those from which there is little or no overflow, hunting or reducing the surplus by other means may be of vital importance to the residue. Sometimes, by a transfer of surplus animals, the needs of an entirely different region may be met. For example, three elk have been shipped from Wind Cave Preserve, S. Dak., to the Experiment Substation of the Nebraska College of Agriculture at North Platte. The elk arrived in fine condition. They are to be used for propagation and exhibit purposes.

Also, three 2-year-old buffalo a male and two females, were shipped in November from the National Bison Range in Montana to the Zoological Gardens at Rome, Italy, a gift from the United States Government. The animals were uncrated at New York where they rested at the Zoological Park for a few days before starting on their ocean journey. All three were fine animals, weighing about 1,320 pounds each, crated. One of them



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is a bucket-raised calf that had been exhibited for the past two years at various Montana fairs.

When there is not a surplus animals can sometimes be spared for restocking purposes. An example is furnished in the case of six elk calves recently transported from the State of Washington and liberated on Kruzof Island, Alaska, under the Territorial stocking program of the 1927 legislature, carried on by the Alaska Game Commission. A contract has been signed for delivery next spring of six mountain goats to be shipped to the State of Washington in return for the elk and for additional elk for the Kodiak-Afognak group of islands.

The Mexicans have hit upon a neat compliment for our air hero. The double ace in dominoes they call "Lindy".—Manchester Union.

The Standard \$1.50. per year.

President of the Airline Road Commission since its organization several years ago, Frank D. Lair, furniture dealer, has announced his resignation.

His successor will be selected February 6 by the City Councils of Charleston, East Prairie and Aniston and the County Court. W. C. Bryant has been mentioned as a possible successor. The Airline Road District, governed by a commission of three non-salaried men, has attracted much attention by its construction of concrete roads in Mississippi county.

About a year ago a swarm of bees took up their abode in the eaves of the home of Dr. J. L. Lindsay of Poplar Bluff. Last week the doctor decided the bees were a nuisance, and ordered them removed. After the several pieces of weatherboarding had been removed, the bees were routed and approximately 100 pounds of honey was found.

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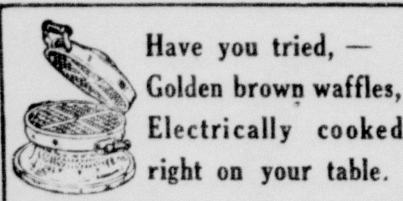
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SPECIAL AGENT HELD FOR CHAFFEE MURDER

Memphis, Tenn., January 14.—R. H. Stogsdill, 36, Frisco Railroad special agent, indicted Friday at Benton, Mo., on a charge of murder, was arrested here late yesterday afternoon by Detective Lieut. Lee Guianthy and Detective Sergt. Wilbur Miller.

Stogsdill is one of three men wanted in connection with the slaying of B. M. Hargett, a Frisco brakeman, who, police here say, was "taken for a ride" and shot to death on the main street of Chaffee, Mo., Oct. 17, 1927.

Hargett's death occurred shortly after the J. L. C. & E. R. R. merged with the Frisco Railroad. Hargett at that time was an employee of the J. L. C. & E. R. R. Frisco employees were union men and those of the smaller railroad were non-union men when the smaller railroad merged with the Frisco, a number of its employees were hired by the Frisco and given their seniority. Hargett was one to receive his seniority.

The union men of the Frisco resented the action, Benton police say. The act made some of the non-union men of the smaller railroad higher in rank than those union men of the Frisco.

On October 17, 1927, a car drove up to the hotel where Hargett was rooming. Three men were in the car. Police say they asked a friend to call Hargett out to the car, but the man refused. Later the same man said he saw two of the men coming out of the hotel with Hargett between them.

The car rolled away from the curb and a few minutes later several shots were fired. Police say the men who took Hargett for the ride went to scare him, but they believed Hargett showed fight and in a scuffle was shot.

At the end of the main street of Chaffee, Hargett's body was tossed out of the car. He was dead when friends reached him.

A few hours before Hargett's body was found, police here say, Mrs. Stogsdill went to the home of a friend, a school teacher, and told her she was uneasy, as her husband had come home from work, procured his gun and left without eating his dinner.

After Hargett's body was found, police say, Mrs. Stogsdill again visited the teacher and told her Mr. Stogsdill had been home that night.

The car in which police believe Hargett was murdered was found a few days after the shooting in a garage, the doors of which had been securely nailed. Police reported bullet holes and blood spots were found in the car. They say the car belonged to one of the three men who had called at Hargett's rooming house for him.

Late yesterday afternoon the sheriff at Benton called Detective Inspector Will T. Griffin, informing him that an indictment had been returned against Stogsdill, who was en route here. When Stogsdill arrived the two detectives were waiting for him.

Stogsdill has not been questioned by local officers. He denies that he is wanted by police of any city.

GOV. BAKER NAMES COM- MITTEE BOND ISSUE

Jefferson City, January 12.—Gov. Baker today appointed his compromise committee to draft a substitute State road bond plans of the Automobile Club of Missouri and the State Highway Commission, which brought on a deadlock when attempts were made to harmonize them in two recent conferences.

The new committee will begin its work here about January 21. It will attempt to draft an entirely new bond proposition, including the best points of bond proposals offered heretofore, to be submitted to the voters in the November general election.

The membership of the committee follows: Gov. Baker, Republican, chairman; John Malang of Joplin, Republican, director of the good roads bureau of the Automobile Club, representing the club; C. D. Matthews, of Sikeston, Republican, chairman of the Highway Commission, representing the commission; H. J. (Jack) Blanton of Paris, Democrat, newspaper publisher; Lou E. Holland of Kansas City, Democrat, former president of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; Anthony A. Buford of Ellington, Democrat, secretary of the Ozarks Chamber of Commerce.

Gov. Baker said that, aside from the representatives of the commission and the Automobile Club, the members of the committee did not represent any of the factions in the controversy that has been in progress over the road bonds for the last four weeks.

Malang was appointed as the club representative at the request of Roy Britton, president of the Automobile Club, and in effect will represent St. Louis as well as the club, the Governor said.

The Governor said he had questioned each of the committee members appointed from the State at large and had received assurances that they were not committed to any particular plan or any faction.

The Automobile Club sponsored a bond issue of \$120,000,000, providing for completion of the existing state highway system of 7640 miles, necessary additions, road widening in metropolitan areas to relieve traffic congestion, and development of a farm-to-market system of feeder roads. The club plan barred any increase in the automobile license fees and gasoline tax and provided for apportionment of funds to the counties, in excess of requirements to complete the state system, on the basis of automobile registration in each county.

A counter proposal of \$60,000,000 was recommended by the commission to complete the system. Road widening, extensions and farm-to-market roads were to be provided through a fund built up from surplus in the road fund over bond requirements. This plan was indefinite as to the time when farm-to-market roads would be built, contained no limitation on revenue rates, and distribution to the counties was proposed on a basis of equal division, irrespective of automobile registration.

Gov. Baker said he would prepare

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SENATE GETS FIRST FLOOD CONTROL PLAN

a tentative outline of a proposition to be submitted to the committee, when it convenes merely to serve as a basis of discussion.

"Someone must have a plan to submit as a starter," he said. "I am not absolutely wedded to any amount of bond nor any specific plan. The proposal must be adequate to take care of all the requirements and it must be a plan that all groups can support".

"The three main points to be considered," he continued, "are the amount of bonds, what limitation is to be placed on any future increases in revenue rates, and the basis of distribution to the counties of the funds in excess of the amount required to complete the State system of 7640 miles".

The Governor has stated that he favored a limitation on increased license fees and gasoline taxes for at least ten years.

The proposal to be submitted to the voters will be a constitutional amendment, which would prevent future tampering with the program or revenues by the Legislature.

NEW FARM BILL LEAVES OUT PLAN FOR EQUALIZATION FEE

Washington, January 13.—A new farm bill, described by its author as practically similar to the McNary-Haugen measure except that it omits provision for an equalization fee, was introduced today by Representative Aswell of Louisiana, ranking Democrat on the House Agricultural Committee.

The bill calls for creation of a revolving fund of \$400,000,000 of which \$250,000,000 would be for payment of "losses, costs and charges arising under marketing agreements", and the remainder for loans to co-operative associations. The bill also is applicable to all agricultural commodities and provides for the appointment by the President of a Federal farm board, for creation of commodity advisory councils to assure complete representation of commodities, and for loans to control surpluses and acquire facilities for storage.

Timothy grass is so called because Timothy Hansen brought it to this country from England in the eighteenth century.

SENATE GETS FIRST FLOOD CONTROL PLAN

Washington, January 13.—The first report of the Mississippi River Commission on Flood Control was sent to the Senate yesterday by Secretary of War Davis.

In a letter, submitted in response to a resolution by Senator Caraway (Dem.) of Arkansas, Davis pointed out the report contained recommendations for local contributions to flood control.

Caraway, in submitting his resolution requesting Davis to furnish to the Senate preliminary estimates or suggestions and recommendations, if any, or both the chief of engineers of the Army and the Mississippi River Commission on Flood Control, stated his action was prompted by rumors that two reports had been made. The first recommending that the Federal Government bear the entire expense of flood control.

"No written preliminary report was submitted to me by the chief of engineers," Davis said.

The report of the River Commission was called for by the chief of engineers, the Secretary said, for his assistance in preparing a comprehensive plan, which finally was submitted to Congress.

The Senate was informed by the Secretary that the report of the Commission as a whole was neither the approval of the chief engineers nor that of the President and himself.

MOREHOUSE HUNTER FINED FOR HUNTING

Deputy Game Warden John Malone arrested Roscoe Wooten of Morehouse Friday for hunting without a license and shooting quail and squirrel out of season.

He was taken before Judge Myers who assessed a fine of \$11 and costs, a total of \$22.60. Malone has orders from headquarters to watch closely for violators, and he proposes to do his duty along this line.

Lucretia Borgia, Lady Macbeth, Catherine de Medici, Marie Antoinette and Anne of Austria were all blondes.

GRIPPING WAR FILM HERE ON WEDNESDAY

"The World War," the first comprehensive historical motion picture of the great conflict to be sanctioned by the United States Government will be shown Wednesday night at the Malone Theatre under the auspices of Henry Meldrum Post of the American Legion.

This picture is based entirely upon historical facts and scenes. Perhaps that is why it has been characterized by critics as "the most gripping and true story of the World War ever told on the screen".

The pervading fictioneer of a highly imaginative scenario writer did not create the thrills or the heart-throbs and the "human interest" of this unusual picture. The World War, cruel and real, created this film classic and gave it its most appropriate title.

"When this picture has been seen the World War in all its magnitude, insofar as the faithful camera records it, has passed in review," was the comment of Admiral W. S. Benson, U. S. N., after viewing the film.

Camera men were constantly in the shadow of death when they were "shooting" the scenes for this picture. Many lost their lives to give the record of "The World War" to the screen. G. F. Zimmer, connected with the Naval Intelligence Corps during the war and who was detailed to film the scenes shown in the picture, escaped death by a narrow margin many times. Once when he was in Russia, the Bolshevik arrested him for taking pictures and sentenced him to be shot. He escaped by hiding under the straw in a box car until the train pulled out and carried him to safety.

The screen version of "The World War" gives the story of that stupendous conflict in a way that is readily comprehensive to the audience. By use of maps that grow dark and light an extend and contract with the wiping out or taking of salients and the bending or breaking of battle lines, the progress of the greatest war in history is made most graphic and can be readily followed. It is said that the use of maps in this picture is the most interesting and graphic ever seen on the screen.

SAYS FARMERS IN U. S. OWE \$12,500,000,000

Columbia, January 13.—The census records show that the indebtedness of farmers in the United States has increased greatly in the last few years and it is estimated that the farmers now owe the colossal sum of \$12,500,000,000, according to Dean F. B. Mumford of the Missouri College of Agriculture, writing for a recent bulletin issued by the Agricultural Experiment station here. This is three times the indebtedness of farmers in 1910, he says.

The bulletin just issued includes abstracts from addresses delivered at the first short course in land valuation held at the college last year. The questions that enter into arriving at the true value of land, the extent to which the farmer or banker should lend money on the speculative value of farm lands and the relation of taxes to farm loans and profits are discussed in detail in the bulletin. Dean Mumford points out that in some cases farm lands have been appraised as of no value because the taxes were so great no income could be expected. Fortunately, he states, this situation is not general, but no farmer can longer buy land blindly, and an important factor in the ownership of land is the tax assessed against it.

In the bulletin are 10 articles relating to the subject farm loans and the various factors that enter into their negotiation.

CHURCH NOTES

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society of the Methodist Church met with Mrs. W. H. Sikes Friday evening with about twenty-five members present. This being the first meeting of the year, standing committees were appointed. Mrs. Ben Matthews joined the circle. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. F. Anderson on February 10 and all members who cannot be present, will please notify the hostess.

The ladies of the Catholic church will have a Lotto Party at the home of Mrs. Jane Mills Thursday afternoon. All members are urged to attend.

Three trustees were elected for St. Francis Xavier church as follows: Louie Duemmy, Wm. Tesson and H. C. Blanton.

The ladies Bible Study Class of the Baptist church will meet with Mrs. Jack Johnson Thursday afternoon. A full attendance is urged to attend.

The Young Women's Circle of the Christian Church will meet with Mrs. O. E. Lathom Wednesday evening.

Judge George Buchanan and B. F. Marshall, Jr., of Blodgett were business visitors in Sikeston Friday forenoon.

A lighter oil lantern he was using in drawing two gallons of gasoline from his automobile caused an explosion which resulted in serious burns to Ed Taylor, of near Dexter. Both hands were badly burned. Physicians say he will recover unless infection develops.

ACTRESS IN HOSPITAL DYING FROM INJURIES

Mrs. Ches Davis, 21, an actress, was probably fatally injured and her husband, Ches, 35, producer of the Ches Davis musical revue, was painfully hurt, when their automobile was struck by a car loaded with drunken negroes a half-mile north of Sardis, Miss., late Sunday.

The automobile containing Mr. and Mrs. Davis overturned three times and landed in a ditch. After they were extricated from the wrecked machine, the machine burst into flames and was practically destroyed.

Mrs. Davis is said to be dying at the Methodist Hospital, in Memphis, where she was hurried in an Arnold and West ambulance from Sardis.

Her skull is severely fractured and she is unconscious. Attaches at the hospital say that very little hope is held for her recovery.

The Davis' were on their way to Memphis to spend the night when the accident occurred. Mr. Davis, whose real name is Taylor, is the brother of Detective Sergt. James Taylor of the Memphis police auto theft bureau.

The Ches Davis musical revue is well known throughout the southern and southwest states, and has played several engagements in Sikeston.

OLD FORD GARAGE ABOUT DEMOLISHED

Workmen have just about finished taking down the walls, cleaning and piling the brick in the Ford Garage Building, that was destroyed by fire a year ago.

The site is owned by Roscoe Weltecke, who informed a Standard representative Monday morning, that he had set no time for the new building to be started, but expected to erect a two-story building during the coming spring.

As yet his plans are not fully formulated and no part of the building has been leased.

This is one of the best locations in Sikeston and there will be no trouble to find renters when the building is ready for occupancy.

TWO MEN SENTENCED TO BE LASHED FOR ATTACKING GIRL

Windsor, Ont., January 13.—Convicted of leading two youths in an attack on a young girl last summer, James McKeegan, 26 years old, of Leamington, Man., was sentenced yesterday to receive 30 lashes and to serve 20 years in the penitentiary.

Nelson Wuick, 18, also of Leamington, was sentenced to 15 years and 20 lashes and Nathan Girardin, 17, was sentenced to two years less one day in the Guelph reformatory. Girardin had been permitted to plead guilty to assault.

Bud Dawson of New Madrid paid The Standard a pleasant call Friday afternoon.

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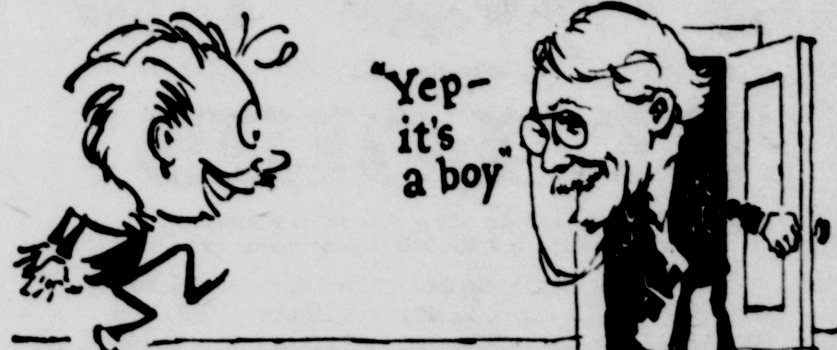
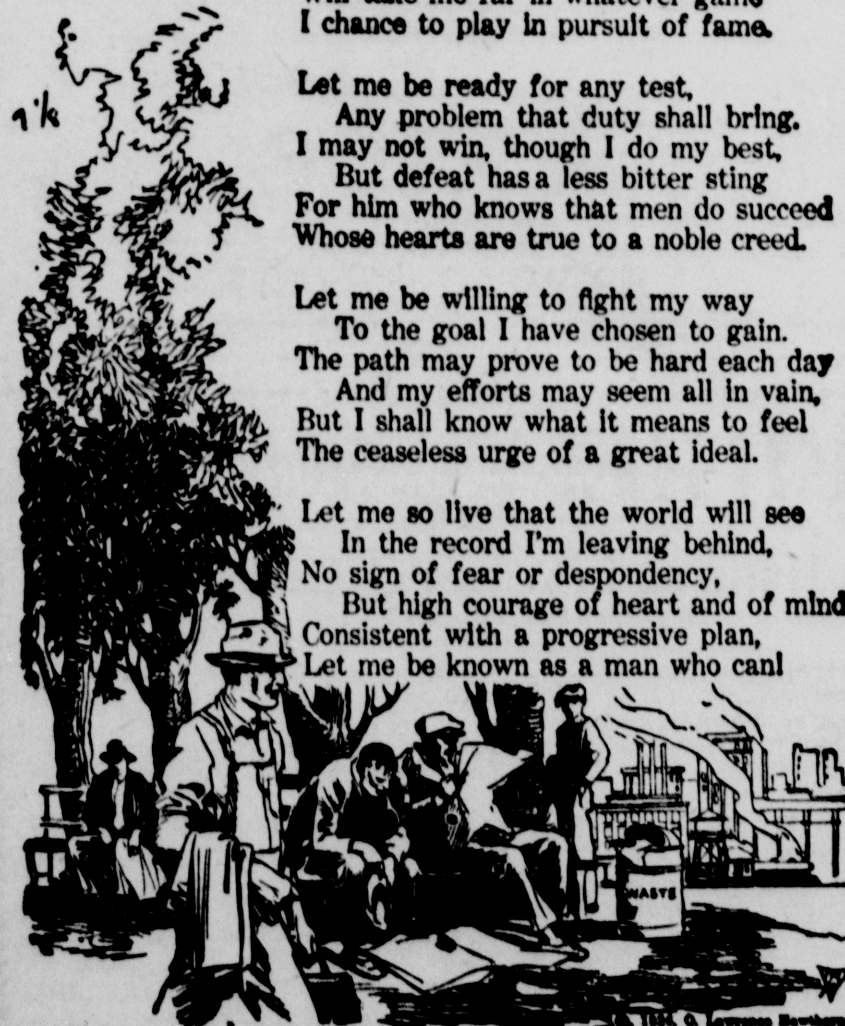
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I may not win, though I do my best,
But defeat has a less bitter sting
For him who knows that men do succeed
Whose hearts are true to a noble creed.

Let me be willing to fight my way
To the goal I have chosen to gain.
The path may prove to be hard each day
And my efforts may seem all in vain,
But I shall know what it means to feel
The ceaseless urge of a great ideal.

Let me so live that the world will see
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The next big cat fight scheduled for Skeston is the city election in April. This same form of government will be in force for the next two years and candidates for the various offices will have to draw up their platforms soon in order that the voters can see just what sort of an administration is to be promised them. The matter of not being able to finance a lot of the things needed, need not deter the runners from making all sorts of promises.

The Standard was one of the suggestors of Editor Denman for the Council to fill out an unexpired term, believing he would reform the city within a few weeks, but to date all he has accomplished was to slip a scantling under the present form of city government and attempt to prize the form into oblivion. We don't know whether the scantling slipped or broke, but anyway, the same old pendulum swings back and forth.

Another heart broken husband called on the editor a few days ago with a story of a broken home. It seems a young sport had taught Eve to drink mule and smoke cigarettes which was very offensive to the Adam. Our advice to the Adam was for him to watch for the snake to approach Eve then meet him with a shot gun.

Monroe County will soon have a rock pile and those sentenced to jail will be required to "bust" rock with a sledge hammer, being allowed \$1.00 per day for same. Sitting on a public street, anchored so as not to "drift" away and pounding rock for the amusement of passersby, is tho't to be one thing that will act as a crime deterrent. Many possible offenders will think twice before taking chances on the above. In jail, they are not so exposed to public view and ridicule.

The little girl from down the country says a dressed turkey doesn't wear much, and a woman is entitled to more liberties than a turkey.—Commercial Appeal.

Another thing that helped beat the Commission Form of Government was the telephone calls to some stating that none but the lower strata of society and bootleggers were against the change. Guess we belong to the lower strata for which we are thankful.

There is considerable talk going on at this early date about the coming city election in April. A number of prospective candidates for the elective offices are almost ready to throw their hat in the ring. Of course there will be many charges made about the different candidates, but those making such charges should go slow or they might have to try to prove them. There hasn't been a city administration in our time in Skeston but what there were charges of one sort or other made, and every one of these administrations have been conducted by as good men as we have, but their inability to do everything expected of wanted, without money, has been at the bottom of all charges. This time there will be much ado about nothing made on account of a talked-of-shortage. We may be able to give the full history of this shortage in the Friday issue as conditions are shaping up for a show down in the case. Too much talk without facts beat the Commission Form last Tuesday and let us hope no wild talk will be engaged in this time.

With all the good times and Republican prosperity, from Washington comes the word that there are more unemployed people in the United States at the present time than since 1923. So much for the prosperity of the farmer and the wage earner.

Mrs. L. T. Davey and Mrs. Molineau headed a shower last week for Gladys Schrum, who is soon to undergo a major operation at the Emergency Hospital, and realized over \$50 in cash and several garments needed for such an occasion. The young woman was almost overcome when told what had been done to assist her in her troubles, and she wishes to express her grateful appreciation to those who assisted. There is something in the hearts of most of us that rises to such emergencies and all are repaid with the thought of doing a little bit for those in distress.

Well, here's wishing our brother, Jack, the best ever in his new troubles.

The recent heavy freeze and thaw left no bottom to some of our dirt streets. Other dirt streets held firm and there was a reason. The streets that had been graded and oiled were passable every day. It costs so little to oil to what the benefits are that The Standard hopes to see the city deliver and sprinkle the oil for every block in the city at actual cost.

This is presidential election year and The Standard editor is a Democrat the most of the time. This is one of the times that we will be "Sim-on Pure". We are going to find no fault with any voter for differing with our views and we hope they will give us the privilege of having our fool views.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sexton of Carbondale, Ill., were visitors in Skeston Saturday. They were formerly connected with the Star Cafe and the pies that Mrs. Sexton made beat some mother's pies a mile.

GOV. SMITH'S LETTER AT
JACKSON DAY DINNER

Washington, January 13.—Following is the text of the letter of Gov. Smith of New York to Chairman Clem Shaver of the Democratic National Committee, which was read at the Jackson day dinner here last night:

"My Dear Chairman: It is a matter of deep regret that the pressure of official business makes it impossible for me to leave the State. I should like to join with my fellow Democrats throughout the country in celebrating the birthday of Andrew Jackson. I take it that when a group of Democratic leaders from various parts of the country comes together, something must naturally be said of interest to the country and to the party.

"The Democratic party deserves success in the nation, but, in my opinion, cannot attain it by relying wholly upon the mistakes of its political adversaries. It should inspire confidence by a constructive forward-looking platform with promises of material betterment for the nation. There should be no Western, no Eastern, no Northern, no Southern Democracy. Jeffersonian Democracy is built upon proposals sufficiently broad and liberal to enlist all men who believe in the principle of representative government. We must think nationally and not locally.

"If I may be pardoned for a definite suggestion at this time, I venture to say that the declaration of party principles might well be tentatively drafted at the earliest possible moment. I believe we have erred in the past by waiting for the national convention to undertake the entire task of preparing a platform. In the heat and rush of a convention the platform when finally written is, to my way of thinking, not sufficiently understandable to the masses of the people.

"There is too great a tendency to speak of the evils that beset us and to fail to suggest any specific remedy.

"Party platforms of recent years have been too general in their terms and important questions have been neglected by platform builders in the spirit of compromise with great principles.

"We cannot carry water on both shoulders. The Democratic party must talk out to the American people in no uncertain terms.

"The national committee could render a great service to the party and to the country as well by the formulation far in advance of the national convention of a definite party policy a line from which there can come during the course of the convention's deliberations, a platform upon which our candidates may present their cause to the country.

"It is my deep conviction that our platform should be built by applying the fundamental principles of Jeffersonian democracy unflinchingly to each specific problem of the day.

"The greatest degree of local self-government by the states, the minimum of interference by the Federal Government in any state with the local habits and concerns of any other state, legislation for the interest of all, and not for any class or group, noninterference with the internal affairs of other nations, tolerance of conflicting opinion—these are our articles of political faith.

"When we follow these we succeed. We should follow them now.

"We should study and treat in the light of these principles our foreign relations, prohibition, agriculture, reform of the governmental machinery, economic policy, conservation and development of our public natural resources and in fact any other question which arises.

"We will solve these specific problems rightly only if we fearlessly meet them in full reliance upon these traditions of our party. I, for one, am for thus meeting them without equivocation.

"The success of the Democratic party in the State of New York lies in the fact that it has had a clear-cut definite platform and from Long Island to Lake Erie the Democratic party stood as one man until the people of the State achieved the full benefit of the promises made at each of our Democratic State conventions.

"Indecisive declarations of political faith get the party nowhere. We have had sufficient experience along that line in the past, and as a lesson from that experience I offer these suggestions herein contained to the leaders and to the rank and file of the party as in the interest of the country and of the party of Jefferson and Jackson.

"Sincerely yours,
"ALSRED E. SMITH".

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

Suffering humanity has suffered less and inventing genius has invented more since the entrance of John Thompson Hodgen in the medical field.

John Thompson Hodgen was born at Hodgenville, Ky., on January 19, 1825, not far from the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln. He attended the common schools of Pittsfield, Illinois and received his collegiate training in Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia. Early childhood found him intensely interested in medicine, so in gratification of this long-felt desire for service to humanity he entered the Medical Department of the University of Missouri from which he graduated in 1848, having made a marked place for himself as a student.

He immediately began practicing in St. Louis and was affiliated with the St. Louis City Hospital and the Missouri Medical College of St. Louis in which institution he also held two different professorships. During the Civil War, he attempted to prevent the Federal authorities from converting the Missouri Medical College into the Gratiot Street prison, but failing in this, he turned with renewed effort and energy to the St. Louis Medical College with which he was connected until 1875, in which he was later dean of the faculty. Dr. Hodgen possessed a surgical skill that caused the government to utilize his expert services in several ways, also making him surgeon-general of the State of Missouri. He was for twenty years consulting surgeon of the City Hospital in St. Louis. He was president of the Board of Health of that city, during 1867 and 1867, at which time he laid the foundation of the Charity Hospital and was the instigator of the lastingly beneficial sanitary measures in St. Louis. He gained great renown as a surgeon and superior physician and was honored by the presidency of the St. Louis Medical Society in 1872, the chairmanship of the Surgical Section of the American Medical Association in 1873, the presidency of the State Medical Society in 1876, and the presidency of the American Medical Association in 1880.

His general surgical work, though widely recognized, was no more a cause of this recognition than were his surgical inventions which gained for him acknowledgment in foreign fields. Perhaps the most widely known of his inventions is the wire splint for the correction of fractured thighs.

"He loved his profession and knelt at its shrine with the devotion of a priest"—such devotion to a cause could but evolve in such success as was his. He was broad and liberal in his views and most tolerant with his co-workers in the profession and shared honors where honors were due. He administered to rich and poor alike, and his counsel was sought by many. "Like the soldier on the eve of battle, he was ever ready to respond to the bugle call, not matter when or where it sounded". Though fame early crowned his honest efforts, he never ceased to be a scholar.

Among his many abilities and accomplishments was also that of debater, in which field he won commendable recognition at the International Medical Congress held in Philadelphia in 1879. He was also a liberal contributor to the literary side of his profession and his books are considered authoritative.

Dr. John Thompson Hodgen passed from this earthly life of service on April 28, 1882, having made a name for himself in America and Europe as one of the foremost men in the noble field of human healing.

Any person who takes a paper regularly from the post office, whether directed to his name or another, or whether he has subscribed for it or not, is responsible for the pay. If a person orders his paper discontinued, he must pay all arrearages or the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made, and collect the whole amount, whether it is taken from the office or not. The courts have decided that refusing to take newspapers or periodicals from the post office or removing and leaving them uncollected, is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.—Missouri Publisher.

Dr. Willis and Mrs. Willis of Jopka, Ill., were in Skeston Friday. Mrs. Willis was one of the popular proprietors of the Star Cafe before it changed owners recently. The Standard acknowledges a social call from Mrs. Willis.

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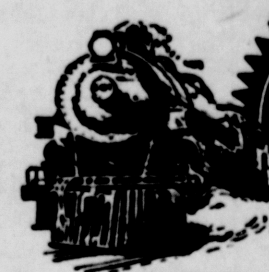
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FIRST CREDITOR'S MEETING

In the District Court of the United States for the Southeastern Division of the Eastern Judicial District of Missouri.

In Bankruptcy No. 1165

In the matter of S. Kawasaki, Bankrupt.

TO THE CREDITORS OF S. Kawasaki of Skeston, Missouri and District aforesaid, Bankrupt: Notice is hereby given that on January 10th, 1928, said S. Kawasaki was adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned Referee in Bankruptcy, Suite 32-33-34 First National Bank Bldg., in the City of Cape Girardeau, State of Missouri, on January 28th, 1928, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time and place the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

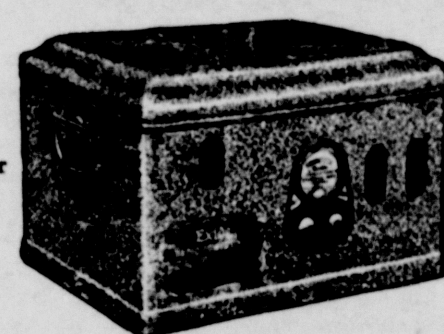
At said meeting the creditors will consider the advisability of the sale of all the assets, real estate and personal property of said estate at public or private sale, subject to approval or confirmation by the court.

H. E. ALEXANDER,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
Cape Girardeau, Mo., Jan. 13th, 1928

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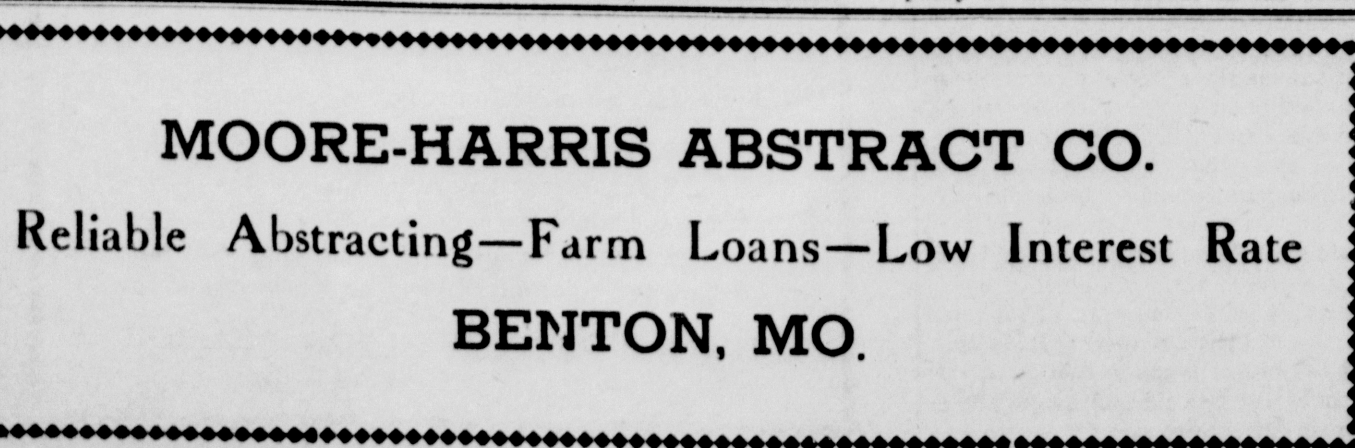
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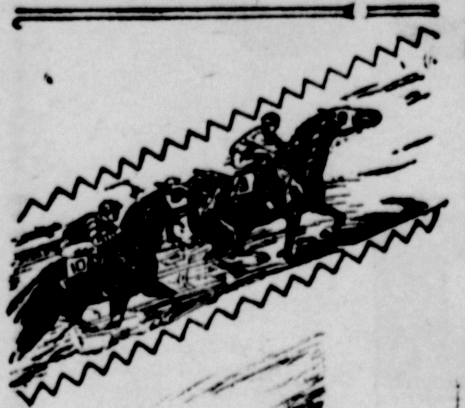


The levees of the county are in excellent condition. The gap at Dorena has not only been repaired but it has been built to stand a river stage of 60 feet at Cairo. Other parts of the levees of the county which were damaged by wave wash are being rapidly repaired and replaced and it may be said that we are better prepared for a high stage of water now than we were at any previous time. The work accomplished at Dorena was by the Lorraine Construction Company under the supervision of the federal government on the basis of one-third cost to the district and two-thirds to the government.—Charleston Times.

Malone Theatre

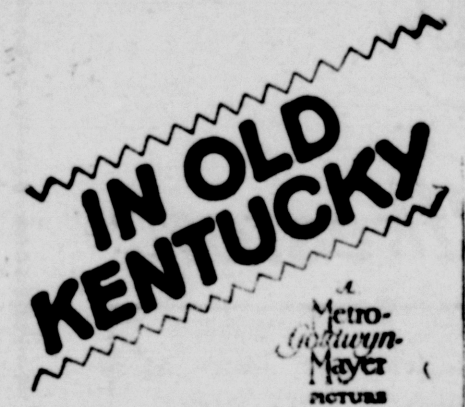
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TUESDAY



Down the home-stretch!

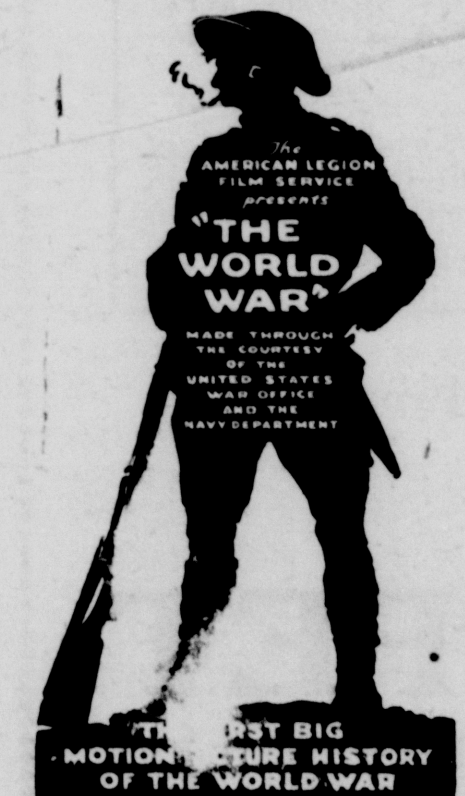
Never a dull moment in this stirring racing romance! It carries you from the colorful background of thoroughbreds and beautiful women down in Dixie, over to war-time France, then back again to Kentucky and one of the most satisfying climaxes on the screen! You'll love it! You'll cheer it!



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Admission 15c and 35c

WEDNESDAY

Afternoon and Evening



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Eleven Reels in All
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Matinee at 3:00 P. M.—25c and 50c
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THURSDAY

Its half to laugh—it's half to cry—
but all supreme entertainment!

HARRY LANGDON in

"Three's a Crowd"

If you were poor in love but rich in
dreams—and Cupid made the girl of
your illusions a reality—and then
gave you another love for good measure—
what would you do?
Harry Langdon tells you with the
pantomime and comedy that have
made him the Screen's Master of
Emotion!

CARTOON and COMEDY
Admission 10c and 25c

FRIDAY

Afternoon and Evening

"Paid to Love"

A Paris girl whose beauty rocked a
kingdom with
GEORGE O'BRIEN, VIRGINIA
VALLI, J. FARRELL MACDONALD,
WILLIAM POWELL
PATHE REVIEW, FELIX CAR-
TOON and COMEDY

Bargain Matinee Every Friday at
p. m. Admission 10c & 25c
Night 7:00 p. m. 15c and 35c

ARKANSAS FORGER CAUGHT IN SKESTON

Constable Brown Jewell and Officer
Gid Daniels, Saturday afternoon, lo-
cated a man wanted at Magnolia,
Ark., for forging a check on a farmer
for several hundred dollars.

The man went under the name of
R. H. Gulley at Magnolia, but tried
to cash a draft at the Bank of Skeston
for \$400 in the name of Herman
Rackley. He was about 45 years of
age, a painter and paper hanger by
trade and was a cripple. He told Con-
stable Jewell that he was wanted at
Pine Bluff, Ark., in connection with a
murder and also wanted in Texas.

C. T. Fincher, Chief of Deputy
Sheriff of Magnolia, arrived in Ske-
ston early Monday morning to take
the prisoner back to Arkansas, and
stated they had a long term in the
penitentiary awaiting the man, and
then he could be tried for other crimes
if wanted.

EASTERN STARS HOLD INSTALLATION LAST WEEK

The local Chapter of the Eastern
Star held their installation of officers
for the year, Thursday of last week,
which was as follows:

Mrs. Nellie Mount—Worthy Matron.

W. E. Hollingsworth—Worthy Patron.

Mrs. Mary Dudley—Associate Matron.

Mrs. Ruth Limbaugh—Conductress.

Mrs. Eva Mow—Associate Conductress.

Mrs. Lucy Humphreys—Secretary.

Miss Lillian Putman—Treasurer.

Mrs. Dorothy Oliver—Ada.

Mrs. Rivers Tanner—Ruth.

Miss Jessie Bowling—Martha.

Mrs. Zola Arbaugh—Electra.

Mrs. Mary Johnson—Esther.

Mrs. Melvin Limbaugh—Marshal.

Mrs. R. E. Bailey—Chaplin.

Electra O'Hara—Warden.

Miss Sylvia Arbaugh—Sentinel.

Mrs. Hazel Young—Organist.

After the installation of these of-
ficers, a splendid program was given
and a social hour enjoyed by those
present.

MODERN WOODMEN TO CELEBRATE WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, January 18, the Mod-
ern Woodmen of America will have a
celebration in the Odd Fellows' Hall.
The purpose of this meeting is to ce-
lebrate leading of the State of Missou-
ri by District No. 16 in 1927.

Judge H. S. Green of Bloomfield
will be master of ceremony.

Hon. A. R. Smith of Kansas City
will install the officer at 6:30 p. m.
Mr. Smith is Missouri Director of
Modern Woodmen of America.

A splendid program has been ar-
ranged and the public is cordially in-
vited.

Mrs. Carroll Meyer returned Sun-
day from a visit of three weeks with
relatives in St. Louis.

Mrs. Henrietta Stumm entertained
the following little folks at a matinee
at Malone Theatre Saturday after-
noon: Steve and Lillian Gale Apple-
gate, G. B. Greer, Jr., Moore Greer,
Jr., Esther Jane Greer and Bob An-
derson.

H. B. Reeves, 58, farmer, of Stod-
ard County, was accidentally killed
last Wednesday when a tree which he
was cutting down, fell and struck him.
His body was crushed and death was
instantaneous. He is survived by a
widow, three daughters and two sons.
He has resided on the same farm near
Bloomfield for twenty years.

SATURDAY

Continuous show—2:30 to 10:30

Gigantic! Historical—Thrilling!

KEN MAYNARD in

"The Red Raiders"

Where the sunburned desert stretch-
es into a glorious adventure—where
our forefathers gave their lives for
the West—where hostile Indians
roamed the plains—there's the locale
of this stirring drama. And Ken May-
nard re-enacts those scenes so dar-
ingly—so thrillingly—you will cheer him
to the echo!

AEOP FABLES and Episode No. 10
"MELTING MILLIONS"

Continuous Show 2:30 to 10:30.
2:30 to 6:30 Admission 10c & 25c
6:30 to 10:30 Admission 15c & 25c

MONDAY

Afternoon and Evening

All loyal laffers will respond to this
joy alarm!GEORGE SIDNEY and CHARLIE
MURRAY

"The Life of Riley"

Just imagine George Sidney as Chief
of Police and Charlie Murray as Fire
Chief—two big shots in a one-horse
town! Then imagine them both in
love with the handsome widow who
has a crush on a circus shell-game ex-
pert—and you have an inkling of the
season's wildest laugh-riot.

NEWS and COMEDY

Bargain Matinee Every Monday at
p. m. Admission 10c and 25c
Night 7:00 p. m. 15c and 35c

Sikeston High School News

By Hallie Carey

Sikeston High Defeats Caruthersville High

The Sikeston High School gymna-
sium was the scene of more pep and
held a larger crowd Friday evening
than has been witnessed within the
last two years.

The Caruthersville girls were out-
classed from the start. The score
was so one-sided from the beginning
that during the middle of the first
half nearly the whole of our second
team was substituted. Edna Ryan
was given her first chance to play in
public and played well as guard.

During the last half the first team
was put in with Littleton switched to
forward, Mathis to jump-center, Al-
britton, running center; Arbaugh and
M. Baker, guards and H. Baker and
Mount, forwards and walked right off
with the victory with a score of 32-
18.

The boys' game started and con-
tinued through the greater part of
the first half with the score showing
nothing to nothing. The two teams
seemed to be so evenly matched, that
it looked as if we might have a noth-
ing to nothing game.

Caruthersville at last broke the
monotony by making a free goal. When
this happened the Bulldogs put all
they had into it. From this time
until the end the score was kept the
same. Even five minutes before the
climax was reached, the score was 20
to 20. The people on the sideline
were on their toes, gritting their
teeth, and putting on a show interest-
ing to see. Then all of a sudden, Ca-
ruthersville made a free goal; Sike-
ston followed suit, making the score
21-21. Then Caruthersville raised it
two more and Sikeston followed with
three. Caruthersville was almost cer-
tain of the victory as it was almost
time for the whistle when Capt.
Weekley made a long shot, making
the score 26 for Sikeston as the
whistle blew.

We are glad to say that Miss Mar-
garet Besgrove, instructor in English
and French, is able to be back with us
again, after a few days' absence on
account of illness.

The football squad received their
sweaters Saturday morning and stepped
out Saturday night. The sweat-
ers are very pretty, being a cardinal
red with the red and black "S" on the
front.

Coach Moore delivered us a very in-
teresting speech Monday morning in
assembly. We only hope that it
proves effective.

Boys who are able to carry a gun
and hunt in this State must first have
purchased a license to do so. This
statement emanated from the State
Game and Fish Department today and
is made in the hope that the press
generally will give it circulation and
enable the game wardens of Missouri
to avoid making arrests of minors.

The law, however, makes no excep-
tion. It presumes that anyone old
enough to carry a gun and hunt is
subject to the law requiring the pur-
chase of a license as a prerequisite to
hunt. Parents should make a note of
this fact and make arrests unnece-
sary. Game wardens are without any
option in the matter but are expect-
ed to enforce the law regardless of
age, color or "previous condition of
servitude."

FOR SALE—Household furniture.—
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FOR RENT—3 unfurnished rooms
and two furnished rooms. Modern.
Phone 382.

FOR SALE—Steel range cook stove,
in good condition. To go cheap.—327
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FOR RENT—6-room modern home,
garage, cabin and garden. Apply to
Marion Jewell. 2tpd.

FOR SALE—Cobs, double bedded wa-
gon load, 75c delivered. Phone 77.—
Dan McCoy, Jr.

FOR RENT—4 rooms and garage.
Lights in house. 625 Kendall Street.
Call 506 Charleston, Mo. 3t.

FOR RENT—130 acres good corn
land near Sikeston, good improve-
ments.—Louise M. Lewis, Hotel Mar-
shall.

FOR RENT—5-room house, lights
and water, one block from business
district. See Alvin Taylor, phone
433. tf.

WANTED—To buy vacant lot in busi-
ness section of town. See or phone
Dennis Murphy at Cocoa Cola Bot-
tling Works.

FOR RENT—6-room apartment, new-
ly papered, furnace, bath, electric
lights, screened porch and garage.
Phone 58 tf.

LOST—At the basketball game Fri-
day night, a yellow gold Elgin wrist
watch. Leave at Standard office or
with Miss Lottie Dover.

FOR SALE—The following furniture
at a bargain: 1 dining room suite, 1
living room suite, 1 bed room suite, 3
rugs, one dresser, one chiffonier, 1
bed, complete; 1 cot, 1 refrigerator,
large; 1 4-burner oil stove, 1 hall
runner. Call Phone 247.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MOREHOUSE

Local men have subscribed most of
the money needed to operate the pro-
jected cannery for next year. The
plan is to enlarge the capacity of the
plant of I. R. Graham and move it to
town, so that he can do a car lot busi-
ness. Mr. Graham has for years been
a successful canner in the Lead Belt,
and this year canned some very fine
tomatoes here.

The Southeast Missourian informs
the writer that it is very much inter-
ested in the expansion of the truck-
ing business in Southeast Missouri,
which had its beginnings in More-
house, Sikeston, Libourn, Caruthers-
ville, Bernie and Campbell last year
under very unfavorable circumstanc-
es. It is proposed to extend the ac-
tivities of the Delta Truck Growers
Association which was formed last
year for the production of cabbage to
include potatoes, spinach and other
truck crops for carlot shipments.

Dan Baker has started his season's
work of manufacturing beehives. He
plans this year to manufacture a
large stock ahead of orders so that
he can quickly supply all wants.

The Morehouse basketball team lost
to Cape Central 22 to 14 in a fast game
at the Cape Thursday. The diminutive
court was a disadvantage to the
locals. The Morehouse girls' team
won over Canalou Friday night 19-17,
and the Morehouse Independents de-
feated the unbeaten Canalou bobcats
by a close margin.

Prof. P. J. Stearns visited the
Morehouse schools, Friday.

A surprise shower was given to
Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Hart Friday.
Many useful gifts were received and
a good time was had.

WITH THE SICK

We are glad to report that Mrs.
Mary Meiderhoff, who has been criti-
cally ill, is slowly improving.

Mrs. Gossitt, who was operated on
for appendicitis at the Emergency
Hospital is doing very satisfactorily.

Dr. O. E. Kendall's condition is
about the same. He rested a little
better Sunday night and seemed a lit-
tle stronger Monday morning.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Paul Witt, who has been very ill at
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Witt on N.
Ranney, is improved and the parents
returned to their home in the country.

Mrs. Witt was called to her daugh-
ter's, Mrs. Raymond Marshall, in
Blodgett, on account of illness of her
baby.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barrett enter-
tained with a family dinner, Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Yanson and Mrs. Ed-
miston of Kennett spent a few days in
St. Louis.

Gord Dill and son, Hildreth, will go
to St. Louis tonight (Monday), where
Mr. Dill will consult a specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, Miss-
es Hyacinth Sheppard and Evelyn
Sutton spent Sunday afternoon in
Cape Girardeau.

Ormond Barnes is seeking jobs of
distributing bills, posters, or other
printed matter. The Standard can
recommend him to the public as a
lad who will do the work right.

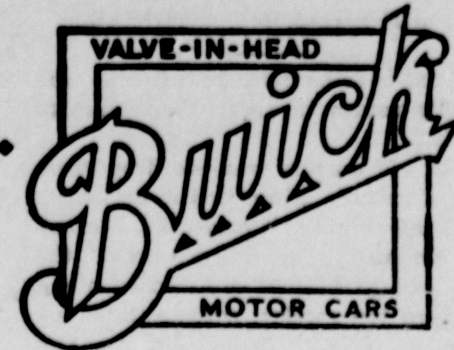
Tip Keller and Mrs. Keller are the
proud parents of a baby girl born in
Cairo, Friday, January 13. The young
lady has been named Sara Sue. Tip
says he is disappointed as he wanted
two.

The bass fishing season closes on
March 1, but channel cat may be taken
until June 10, when the season
closes for one month. No fishing
may be done during March, April and
May for fish other than channel cat,
those months being spawning season
for bass, goggle-eye, jack salmon and
crappie.

A good hill farm home, one mile
from Benton, is offered for sale at a
great bargain, containing 120 acres
in good state of cultivation with sub-
stantial new residence and two good
barns, with land all fenced. Will be
sold for the cost of improvements on
the land. Good community schools
and churches.—Thos. B. Dudley,
Trustee. 1t

Warden R. E. Taft and Special De-
puty Paul Bellew made record speed
in three arrests consummated by
them January 13. They arrested two
men near Huntsville and one at Mc-
Baine during the night of the 12th,
got them to a Justice where all three
were convicted, two paying their fines
and the third going to jail, and were
in Jefferson City with a report of the
cases at 11 o'clock the morning of
the thirteenth.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist
Church in East Prairie was routed
from its quilting bee Thursday morn-
ing when the home in which they were
quilting was found to be on fire. A
guest who was late in arriving dis-
covered the roof of the residence of
the hostess, Mrs. E. C. Kerner, to be
on fire. A bucket brigade was formed,
which held the fire in check until
the fire department came. The fire
was confined to the roof.



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Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Allard entertain-
ed with a family dinner, Sunday.

Charles Lumsden and David Lums-
den, Jr., of Matthews spent Sunday
with Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden.

Misses Francoise Black of Wewo-
ka, Okla., Hilma Black and Lottie
Dover were supper guests at the C.
L. Blanton home, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Harry Dover entertained with
a birthday dinner Sunday for her son,
Bobbie. The following little boys,
members of his Sunday School Class,
enjoyed the occasion: J. B. Greer,
Bill Barnhart, Paul Bowman, Jr., Ben
Bowman, Edward Matthews, Bob
Matthews, Kleinhamer.

A loss of \$24,498 was suffered in
Charleston due to fires in 1927, ac-
cording to the annual report of the
fire department. Forty-five different
blazes reported during the year made
the total \$4284 higher than that for
1926, and \$4000 higher than the av-
erage for the past six years.

Brick work on the new Matthews
Building on Center Street is under
way and will be rushed to comple-
tion as fast as the weather will per-
mit. Work on the foundation for the
rebuilding of the Robinson Lumber
Co. building will begin the first of
the week if the weather permits of
pouring concrete.



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Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children
returned Friday, from a pleasant vis-
it to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R.
Huckey in Jacksonville, Ill.

Thieves entered the home of G. W.
Arterburn Friday night and stole all
of Mrs. Arterburn's wearing appar-
els, her bed and table linens and all
of her son-in-law's and daughter's,
Dr. and Mrs. Chester Limbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Keller were din-
ner guests of Mr. and Mrs. David
Lumsden, Sunday.

The Mississippi County Farm Loan
Association has elected W. R. Mor-
gan, C. M. Emory, Lee Presson, G. C.
McMican and J. E. Harper as direc-
tors and J. E. Harper, president; G.
C. McMican, vice president, and P. H.
Teal, secretary-treasurer.

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31.00 Universal urn set, now	22.50
32.50 Roterax Vacuum cleaner, complete, now	19.50
15.00 Art Craft Table Lamp, now	9.75
22.50 Art Craft Floor Lamp, now	13.50
18.00 Art Craft Floor Lamp, now	11.50
18.00 Miller Table Lamp	9.00
20.00 Miller Table Lamp	12.50
16.50 Miller Table Lamp	12.50
6.50 Boudoir Lamp, now	4.00
3.00 Boudoir Lamp, now	2.00
4.50 Quality Toaster, now	3.00
6.50 Universal Toaster, now	3.50
10.00 Excel Cooker (cooks a full meal at one time), now	7.50
9.00 Hold Heat Breakfast Set (consisting of Percolator, grill & toaster), now	4.50
2.50 Popcorn popper, now	1.75
4.00 Bed Lamp, now	1.50
6.00 Westinghouse 6-lb. iron, now	5.00
6.50 Universal Curling iron with comb, now	3.25
3.00 Universal table stove (slightly used), now	2.00

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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The Standard is authorized to pay
\$50 cash for information that will
lead to the arrest and conviction of
anyone contributing to juvenile delin-
quency. It is believed a moron is
among the small boys and a hanging
is likely to happen unless the asylum
opens for him. Information will be
left with the editor of The Standard
or anyone having a lead to such per-
son, please call.

Washington Hocks says home life,
according to a lot of writers and talk-
ers, has been broken down and de-
stroyed, because people won't stay at
home; but he reads in adjacent col-
umns of the papers and magazines
where thousands upon thousands of
new and modern homes are being
built every day. He says the upshot of
the whole business is that the people
of other days would have gone around
just like they do now if they had
had any way to travel except walk.—
Commercial Appeal.

"Some married women think they
should be privileged to keep their
maiden names", says Reno Ritzl, and
some husbands wish they had.

The plan suggested in this paper
several weeks ago for a division of
the State into districts for the hold-
ing of fairs instead of holding one
fair at Sedalia, has met with the favor
of many subscribers, and the edi-
tor has received several letters of in-
quiry and endorsement of the sugges-
tion. We have not had the time to in-
vestigate just what the present fair is
costing the State over any long pe-
riod of years, but know that much
money was expended for buildings
several years ago, and that these will
have to be replaced in the near future
and others added. During the last
eight years we know that the average
appropriation of the four legislatures
has been approximately \$270,000, or
in other words the fair has cost the
State annually \$135,000. Our conten-
tion is that a very small per cent
of the people outside of Central Mis-
souri derive any benefit or pleasure
out of the fair, whereas if an addi-
tional fair was held near each of the
four corners of the State that all the
people would profit. If this annual
appropriation were divided into five
parts it would give each district fair
an annual appropriation of approxi-
mately \$27,000, a very decent amount,
and sufficient with a small amount of
aid from each county in the districts
to insure creditable fairs. We trust
that the next Legislature will give
some consideration to a plan of this
nature.—Jackson Cash-Book.

There will be no peace between
those famous bedfellows, politics and
prohibition, until one of them is de-
bunked.—Virginian-Pilot.

THE SHIRKING SCHOLAR

What is to be done with youths who
simply refuse to apply themselves to
study?

The old answer was—to drop them
out of school. Since this is no longer
the easy solution it once was, because
of compulsory schooling laws, the
lazy and indifferent are carried along
through the grades, with sporadic ef-
forts to reform them. Efforts are
made also to render education attrac-
tive. But interest is not readily
aroused in shiftless minds, or if
aroused it soon is lulled to sleep.

The unresponsive pupil will always
be an annoyance to most teachers, a
challenge to the few who face class-
room tasks in the spirit of adventure.
So much for the teacher's side of
it. Where parents co-operate wisely
with the school the laggard may at
least be kept off the streets, and now
and then induced to study, if only for
a brief period.—Journal of Education.

Many of our business men prefer
to have 61 highway follow from the
south to the north. Kingshighway
through Sikeston, instead of skirting
the city to the east. The right-of-way
just north of the city will be guaran-
teed, while they will pay nothing for
the right-of-way just south of Sikes-
ton. To run the road north and meet
the highway just beyond the Louis
Baker place will give a straight line
from New Madrid north to Morley,
thence one curve, than straight to
Benton. Sikeston is the half way
point between Memphis and St. Louis.
is the junction of 60 and 61 highways,
is junction of several bus lines, and
it would be more convenient to the
public and helpful to Sikeston if 61
would enter and leave Sikeston over
Kingshighway. A special session of
the City Council will be held this
Tuesday evening and a delegation of
business men will probably appear in
behalf of this proposition.

The Standard editor is not up to
the technicalities of basketball, but
it appeared to us that the Caruthers-
ville boys played rings around Sikes-
ton up to the last quarter. The last
two or three minutes of play were too
fast for old eyes. Sikeston girls were
never in danger and Edna Mount
could center the hoop every shot. It
was a treat to see some of the keen
work of both teams from both towns.

Mrs. Ella Old left Friday for Mem-
phis, Tenn., where she will visit her
son, Fred Old and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall and
daughter, Emily, and Miss Francoise
Black of Wewoka, Okla., are here for
a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. John
Fields and Miss Marcella Shaw were
dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E.
Arthur, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dannemueller and Mr.
and Mrs. Joe Dannemueller of Oran
were visitors to Sikeston, Sunday, to
see Mrs. Mary Meiderhoff, who has
been critically ill.

General Primo de Rivera, the Span-
ish premier, carries in the left hand
pocket of his trousers two raw pota-
toes. He suffers from rheumatism
and in Spain it is believed that if one
carries two potatoes in his pocket the
rheumatism will be kept at bay.

The Auxiliary meeting will be held
at the home of Mrs. Paul Anderson
Thursday evening instead of Wednes-
day. The reason for this change is
that on Wednesday, the American Le-
gion is having their picture of the
World War on at the Malone Theatre.

COTTON FARMERS VOTE
TO WITHHOLD SURPLUS

New Orleans, January 12.—A plan
providing for withholding the surplus
crop from the market until the price
should provide a "reasonable profit"
and to reduce acreage whenever a
surplus was grown was adopted un-
animously by a meeting of Southern
cotton farmers under the auspices of
the American Cotton Association yes-
terday.

The plan which was submitted by
Col. Harvie Jordan of Greenville, S. C.,
manager of the Better Farming cam-
paign of the American Cotton Asso-
ciation, provided that the plan be ad-
ministered by a chairman and vice-
chairman in each county and that ex-
penses should be provided by levying
10 cents a bale on the cotton and \$10
a year on banks handling loans to
producers.

A resolution was adopted urging
that cotton acreage be reduced this
year and that the smaller area be cul-
tivated more intensely so as to in-
crease the yield of better spinnable
cotton per acre at a lower cost of pro-
duction, and that land which will not
produce a half bale of lint cotton be
planted in a legume crop.

A cotton financing corporation
"with sufficient capital to finance and
hold off the market any temporary
surplus of cotton produced in any
year in order to stabilize the price of
cotton and make the crop bring the
average cost of production and a rea-
sonable profit on the capital and la-
bor invested" was favored.

The lead in this movement, the res-
olution said, should be taken by the
bankers of the South who "should
show their willingness to go the limit
of their financial and business ability
to make the cotton crop bring its real
value".

Diversification of crops was advo-
cated in another resolution which
stated that "in the interest of safe
and sane farming in the South we
urge a largely increased planting in
food, feed and legume crops and an
increase in dairy cattle and poultry".

The resolution stated that "the
cotton growing states continue the
unwise policy of planting enough
acres in cotton without profit to
the rank and file of the growers while
importing hundreds of millions of
dollars worth of food and feed from
other states".

A committee of 12 will be appoint-
ed by J. S. Wannamaker, president
of the association to execute the
plans for controlling the surplus
crop and to reduce acreage. One mem-
ber will be named from each cotton
growing state.

80 LOCAL MEN TO TAKE
PART IN HOME PLAY

Much interest is being created over
a great stunt which is to take place
here January 25 and 26. It is to be a
"Womanless Wedding", not a woman
in it—all men! Can you imagine our
business men, by magic touch of lip
stick, rouge and eyebrow pencil sud-
denly becoming beautiful girls,
charming debutantes, stately matrons
and vamping creatures? The only
way to believe it is to see it.

A very capable director of the
Simpson Levie Producing Co. of
Bardstown, Kentucky, has arrived in
our city to direct this popular produc-
tion. The Chamber of Commerce of
this place is sponsoring the affair and
are hearty in their co-operation and
enthusiastic over the contemplated
success. "The Womanless Wedding"
is being staged all over the state this
season by this Company, and glowing
reports come from other towns that
packed houses greeted the perform-
ances both nights. In the larger towns
there have been as many as 1500 peo-
ple witness the play.

It is a clean wholesome bit of old-
fashioned humor that makes the old
laugh young again and the young
laugh until their sides ache. In other
words it is a continuous roar of
laughter, a cyclone of fun, and a riot
of splendor. Many beautiful costumes
will be worn by our local men, so plan
to see the funniest thing ever wit-
nessed in Sikeston. Who would you
choose for the beautiful blushing
bride?

Mrs. Joe Hunter Allen and son re-
turned to her home in St. Joe after a
pleasant visit with homefolks.

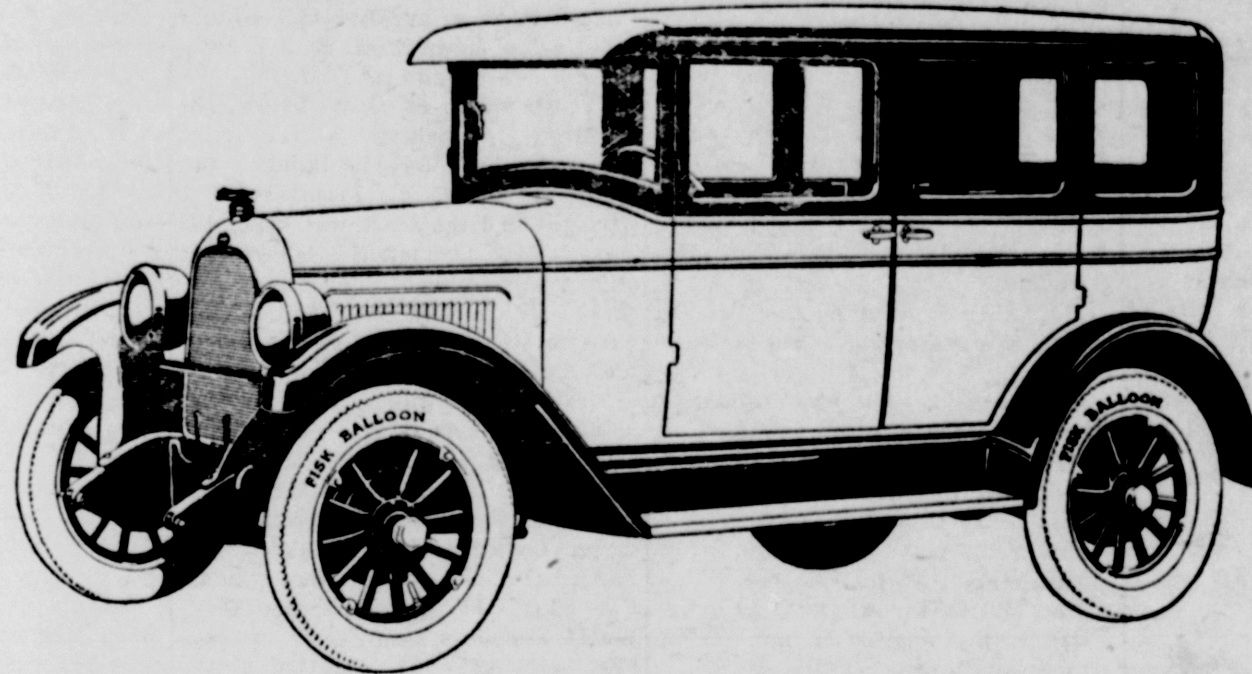
Possibly the largest taxpayer in St.
Francis Co. is the St. Joseph Lead
Co., which last year paid the county
\$334,624.83, according to County Col-
lector H. W. Coffield. Three other lead
mining companies brought the income
from this source to more than a half
million dollars. They are: Doe Run
Lead Co., \$100,953.35; Desloge Con-
solidated Lead Co., \$77,097.28, and St.
Louis Smelting & Refining Co., 26-
513.98. Other corporations which paid
county taxes varying from \$2500 to
\$17,500 are the Missouri Pacific Rail-
road, Union Electric Light & Power
Co., Iron Mountain Mining Co., Bone
Terre Farming & Cattle Co., Sweetwater Mining Co. and the Cape
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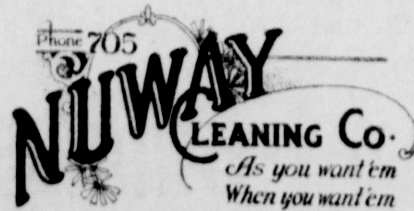
Always Busy

There is an old axiom which reads:

"If you want a thing well done
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A piece of pure lead ore picked up
by George E. Straughan, of Route 4,
Farmington, has aroused speculation
as to whether Straughan's farm land
has ore in paying quantities. Straughan
says one company drilled on the
land a number of years ago and that
he knows they found a rich deposit,
although they refused to buy the
tract. Local residents claim that the
Jake Day tract, now being worked sat-
isfactorily by the St. Joseph Lead
Co., was 'condemned' three times be-
fore being developed.

Plans were completed and approved
by the Odd Fellows and Knights of
Pythias lodges of Poplar Bluff for
the construction of a three-story brick
office and lodge building on the site
of the old three-story structure, which
was badly damaged on last May 9 by
the windstorm. Work is expected to
start by March 1. The building will
be arranged for offices on the first and
second floors, and the third floor will
be used for lodge and club rooms. The
two lodges formed an incorporation
known as the Fraternal Building Co.,
and the board of trustees of that con-
cern has approved plans for the new
structure.

The successful politician is one
who keeps on his toes all the time but
who never gets on the other fellow's.
—Virginian-Pilot.

The Woman's Club will hold their
regular meeting at the home of Mrs.
C. E. Brenton Tuesday afternoon with
Mrs. John Powell as leader for the
afternoon.

E. E. Brasfield, who has been dis-
trict agricultural extension agent for
Howell and Ozark Counties for two
years, has resigned to become agri-
cultural extension agent for Pettis
County. His headquarters will be at
Sedalia.

The Home Oil Co. station at East
Prairie was robbed late Saturday
night, resulting in the loss of several
dollars. One window was jimmied
open and a glass in another was bro-
ken where the burglars crawled thru
when they robbed the cash register.
The men were tracked next morning
several hundred feet towards the vil-
lage of Whiting. The Home Oil Co.
is managed by Orba Lewis and is
owned by the Simpson Oil Co., of
Charleston who own and operate sta-
tions in East Prairie, Charleston and
Sikeston.

A visiting scientist says children
can spell better than their fathers.
That being the case, why don't they?
—Nashville Banner.

The longest term of servitude or-
dered by a jury in circuit court in
Butler County from the sale of liquor
came today when James Butler, coun-
ty farmer, was sentenced to one year
in jail. He was convicted for selling
a half pint of whisky, which he said
he found.

An average of approximately 100
hunting and fishing licenses each day
have been issued at New Madrid by
County Clerk C. L. V. Jones in the

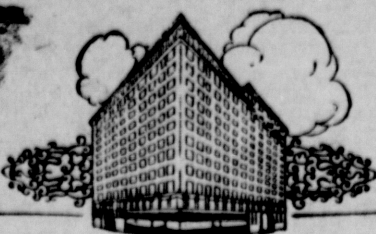
first few days of the new year. The
total number issued in 1927 was 2226,
an unusually large number. One of
the reasons for the increase shown
last year was the reappearance of
game fish in streams and drainage
ditches of the county, it is said. For
a number of years New Madrid Coun-
ty water courses have been practical-
ly devoid of game fish, but back water
from the Mississippi flood last sum-
mer replenished the supply. Fishing
was a common pastime until far into
the winter season this year, the zero
weather a few days ago being the first
serious interference.

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The Green Cloak

By
YORKE DAVIS

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"There must have been some standard, some test that he tried those coat lines by. When they did not fit it, he destroyed them. That test or standard may have existed solely in his memory. If not, if it was a thing committed to paper, then we can find it. Whatever it was, he must have been in the habit of referring to it constantly. In that case, I have no doubt that it's somewhere in this room. Take the lamp and hold it at the other end of the bookshelves—so. Now raise it so that the light will fall horizontally along the top shelf."

He had stationed himself at the opposite end from where I stood, and he sighted along the projected edge of the shelf as I raised the lamp to the height he indicated.

"Try the next one," he said. "—so. And now the next. There; that'll do. We've got it. If I'm not mistaken."

He walked over toward my end of the case and pulled a book out of the third shelf.

"Our thanks are due to the old woman for not being too good a housekeeper," he observed in comment. "The dust on those books is evidence enough that he was not in the habit of reading them. But this one shows a clear track in and out of the shelf. There's no better hiding place for a sheet of paper than a book."

He balanced the book carefully in both hands, and then let it open where it would.

"Well," he said, "I think we've found it," for there between the two yellow pages was a bluish sheet of semi-transparent paper, folded.

He laid down the book and opened up the paper. It was a map, too, and

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as I looked at it closely, I saw that it was executed on a very large scale. It was a map of a very narrow-necked peninsula. The soundings in the sea all about it were indicated frequently. Over the surface of the land itself were various little numerals, which had their explanation in a legend in the corner. One had only to read a little way down this explanatory column to see with what minute care the map had been drawn, and on how large a scale. Such unimportant objects, from a geographer's point of view, as a granite boulder or a blasted tree had their position indicated.

No, the purpose of that map-maker had not been purely geographical. So much was clear.

"It's a tracing, you see," Doctor McAllister observed. "He's got the original locked away somewhere, now. But, do you notice, there's nothing on the sheet, anywhere, to indicate in what part of the world this bit of land lies? There's no latitude or longitude indicated. We'll have to get the original to find that."

At that, the explanation of the whole mystery of this wilderness of maps flashed across my mind.

"No," I cried, "he hasn't got latitude or longitude on the original, either! He never knew, to the day of his death, any better than we know now, into what sea that little peninsula juts its head. That's what he spent the last three years of his life hunting for."

Doctor McAllister nodded gravely. "You are quite right," he said; "right beyond a doubt. There's no knowing what there is to be found on that bit of headland, but whatever it is, he wanted it badly."

It was natural that we should both fall silent just then, natural, too, that in our excitement over the discovery, our nerves were higher strung than usual. It had grown pretty late. There was a dead stillness within the house. The only sound, save the ticking of a clock, that came to our ears was the occasional moan of a gust of wind through the trees and around the corners of the house. So it was natural that we both started violently when a gust of wind blew open one of the windows, with a bang, and caused our lamp to flicker and then go out.

I laughed nervously, and wiped my forehead with the back of my hand. It was wet. Then I rose, or rather, started to rise, and spoke at the same time—began to speak, at any rate. What I had in mind to say was, that I would close the window if the doctor would relight the lamp.

But before I had said three words, the compelling grip of his muscular hand thrust me back into my chair, and my sentence trailed off into a sort of gasp.

So, for a moment, we sat breathless.

"Somebody's getting in," I whispered presently. "It must be Mallory."

"Mallory has a key," he retorted. "Listen—"

No, that was not Mallory. It was not anybody trying to get in, for somebody had already succeeded—somebody who was already making his way, with swift, almost incredibly stealthy steps, up the stairs from the second floor to the room where we were sitting.

We drew back into an obscure corner and stood close together, half-crouching, eyeing the door.

Presently we saw it opening. And then there emerged from its shadow a face we both knew—a face neither of us is ever likely to forget. The eyes in that face we had never seen before, for they had been closed the last time we looked at it. Now they were about all we could see. The black hair lost itself in the shadow which enveloped the doorway, and the olive-brown skin was itself a shadow. But the eyes—they burned with the flaming green intensity of a leopard's.

The doctor and I shrank back into our corner and waited, breathlessly, to see what she would do. The first thing was curious, and little to be expected. She closed behind her the door by which she had entered. Then, with brisk certainty, but with no noise at all, she moved toward the desk. That brought her a little nearer us.

She had got within arm's reach of the swivel chair, when suddenly, like a flash, all the motion of her body was arrested. Her attitude had something of the frozen alertness that one sees in a setter dog when he points game. We could see her face better now; it was turned squarely toward us. But, apparently, she did not see us. That was natural, for we were deep in the shadow. But she knew we were there. The next moment I perceived that she knew by virtue of the same sense that the setter uses. She had caught our scent. Her head went back a little, her nostrils dilated, and she seemed to be drawing in a deep breath.

I have no command of English to describe the suddenness and unexpectedness of the thing that happened then. She stood there before us, as I have said, like one frozen, so still was she. And then, with no preliminary motion whatever, no crouch, no visible gathering up of the forces for a spring, she flashed across the room toward the open window, like a dancing shadow. For just an instant I saw her etched in profile as she poised upon the sill. And then she was gone. I had followed her to the window as swiftly as my clumsy, human motions would permit, and looked down, expecting to see her lying bruised and broken on the frozen ground. Instead of that, I saw the fleeting shadow of her moving swiftly across the snowy lawn toward the gate.

A moment later, bare-headed, bare-handed, I was running at top speed down the rough, frozen country road in the direction I had seen her take.

Before I had gone fifty yards, I heard other footsteps pounding along behind me, and a momentary fear that my old chief had been reckless enough to risk his bones in such a chase caused me to pause and turn back. It was not Doctor McAllister, however, but the detective, Mallory, and as he panted up alongside me, he said:

"I saw her coming down the rain-pipe. She might almost as well have fallen, she came down so fast. What was she like? I don't suppose you got anything of a look at her, though."

"No," said I. "The wind had just blown out the lamp, and we were there in the dark when she came in."

"It doesn't matter," he said briefly, as we plowed along, side by side. "I'll know what she's like well enough when I come up with her. But there is no use in your keeping up the chase. I'll get her alone, never fear. Nothing that wears skirts can outrun me."

I was already half inclined to take his advice and turn back, for the pace was beginning to tell on me, when I tripped over something and fell headlong.

By the time I had picked myself up and shaken some of the loose snow out of my sleeves, he was already a hundred yards ahead down the road. I was about spent, so, regretfully, I turned back.

But for one moment I passed curiously to investigate the cause of my fall. It had been something soft—something that gave a little as my foot



It Was a Cloak, a Green Cloak, and the Collar Was Cut High in the Back.

struck it, and then clung. It had been entirely covered by the snow, which had fallen out here in the country to a depth of nearly six inches.

I scuffled around in it with my feet until I found it. Then I stooped and picked it up. It must be a shawl or a blanket, I thought, as I shook the snow out of its folds and held it out in both hands. No, it was neither. It was a cloak; a green cloak, and the collar was cut high in the back.

I cast a glance over my shoulder. Mallory was already out of sight in the distance. I threw the cloak over my arm and trudged back to the house.

CHAPTER IV

Early the next morning Doctor McAllister and I took one of the trains upon which the male population of Oak Ridge habitually goes to town upon its several and various business. We had by no means exhausted the possibilities of discovery which still lay concealed, we felt sure, within that lonely old house where we had passed so strange a night; nor had we solved its mystery. But matters of a more instant importance compelled us, for a while, to abandon it.

In the first place, we knew that, little as we liked the prospect, it was our clear duty to report to Ashton what we knew of the mysterious, wild creature who had escaped from the hospital and was now at large. By one means or another, she must be found as quickly as possible. She had already destroyed one life—of that we were practically sure—and until she was safely under restraint again, we could have no guaranty that she would not destroy others. To thwart that possibility, we must call in Ashton and the police, however little to our liking such a course might be.

We deferred our breakfast until our arrival in town, memories of the dinner we had had the night before making it easy to go hungry for a while. We were later getting in than we expected to be, for a combination of fog and freezing sleet delayed our train. Out of the car windows we could see as we crawled along, that the telegraph wires were already sagging under their white armor of ice. As soon as we got in, we drove straight to The Meredith.

In the restaurant we found Ashton himself, just sitting down to breakfast. He welcomed us with an eagerness that showed that he had already heard some report of our adventure of the night before.

"I was on the point of telephoning for you," he said, "but you've saved the precious hour or two by coming on your own account. Mallory reported to me here at six o'clock this morning, having come all the way from Oak Ridge on foot, and without getting the slightest trace of the mysterious woman who invaded the Morgan house last night. I confess that her appearance throws a different light on Harvey's testimony. And I think

you'll agree that, in all probability she is the criminal."

"I've no doubt myself," said Doctor McAllister, "that it was her hands that strangled old Morgan."

"Well, then, she's the criminal, isn't she?" said Ashton; and regarding the answer to this question as too obvious to be waited for, he went straight on. "The whole energies of the police and of all the detective force connected with our office will be bent toward finding her. What I want from you—from both of you, independently—is the most complete and careful description you can give of the physical appearance of the woman who entered Henry Morgan's study last night."

"You can describe her for yourself," said Doctor McAllister rather shortly. "You have a talent that way."

"What do you mean?" "You've seen her. You've enjoyed a good look at her. She's the girl that Reinhardt sent for us to see at St. Michael's two nights ago."

Ashton stared in clear amazement, first at the doctor and then at me.

"You're sure?" he gasped. "Perfectly," said I gravely.

For a moment he sat silent. Then he frowned.

"May I ask whether you had any suspicion, when we saw her there at the hospital, that she might prove to have some connection with this case?"

"Yes," said my chief bluntly; "it's your right to ask. I did suspect a connection between her and the Oak Ridge mystery. I recognized and understood the language in which she was chattering to herself. It's a language that, with minor variations, is spoken in all those islands in the South Pacific. The thing she was singing to herself was a death chant."

Ashton looked pretty grave at that. "I won't presume," he said, "to question your motive for your reticence with me the other night. Undoubtedly it seemed justifiable to you, but, as a result of it, a dangerous criminal is now at large. I admit it was not a result you could have foreseen, for I remember your recommendation that she be closely watched, and I have no doubt that with the clew you've just given me it won't be many hours before we find her. A strange creature like that, half-wild, chattering a language that no one can understand, cannot remain hidden very long. I can't understand, though," he went on, "the reason you gentlemen have for wishing to withhold from me your full confidence. You haven't given it to me yet. You've discovered some-

thing more that bears upon this case which I haven't heard of."

"We have," said the doctor, "and it was with the purpose of telling you about it that we came back to town this morning—that was part of our purpose, at any rate. Do you remember the green cloak which you so confidently declared to be nothing but a bit of fiction, born of Will Harvey's puerile vanity? Well, we've found that. A green cloak, with a high collar, just as Harvey described it."

Ashton eagerly demanded the details as to where and how the cloak was found, and these I supplied him with.

Then there was a little silence. His displeasure over our previous reticence was suddenly swallowed up in his interest in the revelations we made to him.

"That's one to Mallory, certainly," he said at last. "He was right and I was wrong."

"How do you make that out?" I questioned.

"Didn't I tell you that Mallory suspected Harvey of some active connection with the crime, and thought that he was lying to shield himself? The discovery of the cloak makes it evident that he was right. He knew who the actual criminal was, knows now, and was undoubtedly associated with her. He probably thought to save himself by giving us the clew that would lead to her detection. In his eagerness, he overreached himself and told too much, told more than he could possibly have seen, if his testimony as to how he saw it were true."

He broke off there with a short laugh. "But confess," he said, turning to my chief, "confess that this discovery of Phelps puts your theory of associative illusion completely out of court. Harvey testified to a black-haired woman in a green cloak, and denies that he saw more of her than her silhouette upon the shade. We know now that a black-haired woman in a green cloak was actually there, from which it follows that Harvey lied, knew that he lied. And to have lied thus about a matter which he knew to be vital and significant, he must have some powerful, and probably guilty, motive. I don't believe that you can get away from the logic of that."

"Your conclusion is probable," said my chief, "but it's not inevitable."

Ashton dismissed the denial with a mere tolerant shrug, and set it down to the obstinacy of old age. "You brought the cloak to town with

you, I suppose," he went on presently. "I nodded. 'You'll want it, I presume?'"

"Yes," he said. "It may prove a valuable bit of bait, not for the girl herself, of course, but possibly for one of her accomplices. I'll have Harvey arrested at once. Surveillance isn't good enough for him now; I want him in jail."

"You promised me a chance at Harvey after you got through with him. Do you remember?" said the doctor. "I hope you don't mean to withdraw it."

Ashton stared at him. "You still think you can beat up anything in that covert?" he asked incredulously. "Oh, well, I've no objection to your trying. I'll have him arrested at once and brought to town. Where do you want him? At your laboratory?"

"Yes," said the doctor. "When may we expect him? This afternoon, sometime?"

"Yes," said Ashton. "Not later than four o'clock."

The doctor swallowed the last of his coffee, pushed back his chair, and rose to his great ungainly height. "Now, let's have an understanding," said he. "I've given you, freely, all the information you've asked for. It comprises pretty much all the information you have which can be of any service to you in the solution of the mystery of this crime. That, of course, is partly due to luck. I believe that I can solve that mystery by my methods. I believe that with your methods you will fail. Phelps and I are going to set about trying to find that girl for ourselves, in our own way. If we find her, we will examine her in our own way; and we shan't tell you anything about it until our investigation is complete."

Ashton smiled. "Of course you know," said he, "that you are proposing something that, under my oath of office, I can't permit. If you find that girl—I don't think it very likely that you will, but if you do, I shall be obliged to take her away from you and put her in safe keeping. And the methods I'll use to determine her guilt or innocence will be my methods, and not yours."

The doctor laughed. "That's understood," he said. "You're welcome to take her wherever you can find her, in my laboratory, or anywhere else. But if you don't find her—"

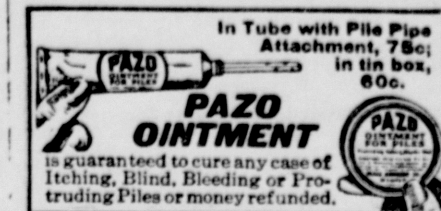
"That's thin ice, Doctor McAllister," Ashton interrupted earnestly. "If you proceed with that express determination of yours, I may find it necessary,

little as I'd like to, to have you watched, as persons suspected of compounding a felony."

"All right," said the doctor. "That's understood. Watch away all you like. But you'll still let me have a chance at Harvey?"

Ashton shrugged his shoulders with a vexation that was half-genuine, half-stimulated. "You don't deserve it," he said, "but I've made a promise and I'll stick to it."

(Continued Thursday)



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HOUSE DEBATES TARIFF
REVISION TO AID FARMER

Washington, January 13.—The tariff argument spread to the House today, when Representative Dickinson (Rep.) Iowa, one of the farm leaders, announced that a determined move to force consideration of the question, with a view to obtaining an upward readjustment of import schedules on agricultural products would be initiated.

While the Senate debated the resolution by McMaster (Rep.) South Dakota, for downward revision in favor of the farmer, Dickinson informed the House he was drafting a bill proposing increased import duties on corn, hides and vegetable oils and that other products would be included as soon as he received from the Tariff Commission a report for which he had asked several days ago.

He said he thought he would have the support of the whole House farm bloc. Representative Garner of Texas, Democratic leader of the House Ways and Means Committee, which would have jurisdiction over the Dickinson measure, predicted that the minority would vote to send the bill to the House floor.

The combination of these two groups would virtually make it certain that the bill would go before the House, even if opposed by House Republican leaders.

Garner emphasized that in voting to place the bill before the House the Democrats would not commit themselves to its support beyond that point. He said he felt a consideration of the tariff question would be beneficial at present and personally would use every effort to carry the measure to the House floor.

The administration forces took up the fight in the Senate today. Senator Fess (Rep.), Ohio, exhorting what he called the "spotted protectionists" in the Democratic ranks.

"By what theory?" he asked, "do some Democrats ask protection for articles produced in their states and oppose protection for articles produced in other states which come in competition with foreign goods?"

At the request of Senator Copeland (Dem.), New York, McMaster modified his resolution so as to make it call for downward revision only of "excessive schedules". The Senate agreed to vote at 3 p. m. Monday on the McMaster resolution.

Senator King (Dem.), Utah, advised Senator Fess that the Democratic position was that there should be no discrimination in tariffs either by section or classes.

Senator Brookhart (Rep.), Iowa, asserted that since the present tariff act became a law more than 1,000,000 farmers had lost their homes.

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New Years songs, no New Years tears,
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We wish to express our appreciation and heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends for their help and sympathy extended to us in the sudden death of our beloved son, Alvin, and sincerely thank our many friends who sent the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Nicholson

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes entertained with a dinner Thursday evening.

The question of the right of a woman to sit in the dominion senate will be argued before the supreme court of Canada in February.

'SUMMERLESS' 1927
WARMER THAN USUAL

Washington, January 11.—Summarizing the much-discussed weather for 1927, "The Year Without a Summer", the Weather Bureau concluded today that for the country at large it was "warmer and wetter than normal, and that the growing season, represented by the period between the last killing frost in spring and the first in fall, was longer than in an average year".

Calling attention to reports that last year was to be "fraught with menace to the peoples of the world" because of widespread destruction of crops by cold and dry weather and a short growing season, the bureau said that "none of these calamities occurred, as crop damage, in general, by adverse weather was not greater than in many other recent years".

"Summer frosts were reported locally from the more Northern States", it said, "but such conditions are usual and occur nearly every year. In fact, they were not reported from as far south in 1927 as in recent past years".

Temperatures for the year, the bureau said, were above normal over more than 80 per cent of the country, the average being about 1 per cent warmer than normal, with 156 of the 179 reporting forecast stations having above normal warmth.

The growing season, the bureau continued, was longer than normal nearly a month longer than usual over considerable sections, and with "only limited and widely scattered areas having a growing season shorter than normal".

Herbert Janvyn Bwone of Washington, ocean meteorologist and long-range weather forecaster, was the author of the "year without a summer" prediction as applied in 1927.

VATICAN ORGAN BLAMES U. S.
MASONS FOR MEXICAN ROW

Rome, January 12.—Osservatore Romano, official Vatican organ, prints a leading article today saying that Mexican persecution of the church and the "conspiracy of silence" concerning this are due largely to the influence of North American Masonry.

Osservatore Romano bases its assumption on conclusions reached in an article by the Jesuit Father Koch in Stimmen der Zeit for January, 1928. Recalling that anti-religious strife in Mexico City is a hundred years old, this article said:

"North American Masonry conducted Juarez to victory in 1867 over Maximilian. The defeat of Huerta, who professed Catholic sentiments, also was its work. It inspired the illegal reform of the Constitution in 1917. In 1925 300 'brothers' of North American Masonry reorganized that of Mexico. They founded an anti-clerical league which elaborated Calles' campaign plan."

TRUNK LINES DENIED
INCREASE IN RATES

Jefferson City, January 13.—A ruling by the State Public Service Commission denies application of the trunk line railroads for approval of schedules for intrastate shipments in less than carload lots of various commodities. The commission, in the same ruling, denied application of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway for increased rates on intrastate shipments of cement, plaster, stucco, lime and similar commodities in less than carload shipments.

Applications of the various roads included a multitude of commodity shipments. In many instances the request was for transferring certain commodities from commodity to class rates.

In all of these, except where the rate affected interstate shipments, the applications were denied.

In many instances in the long list of commodities that would have been affected, the result would have increased rates as high as 100 per cent.

In the ruling the commission says that after careful consideration of the evidence taken in the numerous hearings held the railroads have failed to justify the reasonableness of the advance proposed.

It is ordered that Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, the Chicago and Alton, Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, Missouri-Kansas-Texas, Wabash, Missouri Pacific and all other lines participating in the Missouri intrastate applications of schedules published by E. B. Boyd and under investigation in this proceeding, be required to cancel all schedules under suspension upon notice by the commission. The order is effective January 19, 1928.

All of the members of the committee concurred in the ruling except Hutchison, absent on account of sickness.

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PREDICTS LARGE CORPORATIONS
WILL RUN FARMS

Urbana, Ill., January 11.—There are unmistakable signs that the present tendency in agriculture is toward enlargement and consolidation and even now there are corporations ready to invest their money in farms if they can be convinced that such investments are sound, D. Howard Doane of St. Louis today told farmers attending the thirty-first annual Farmers' Week at the Illinois College of Agriculture here.

One of the first of the causes which will bring corporation farming is the fact that the general trend in all business is toward enlargement and consolidation, and agriculture cannot remain the one exception, the speaker pointed out.

"In the second place", he said, the agriculture of the last decade has proven its inability to meet the test of 'operating profits' alone.

"Third, low agricultural prices, as they have prevailed since 1920, demand and force economies. These are not accomplished by subdividing and increasing the operating overheads and units, but rather by consolidations.

"Fourth, modern machinery which has its object the increasing of the volume of work per man, is playing a most important part in enlarging operations.

"Fifth, large and expensive equipment adapted to big but not small units that has as its purpose the refinement and processing of farm products already has made its appearance.

When it is thoroughly established, it will profoundly effect our present agricultural set-up from soil fertility to finished products."

One of the most generally recognized difficulties in the way of practical operation of large farm properties is the obtaining of efficient and proved management, in Doane's opinion. This represents a real difficulty which must be met when the demand for service unmistakably is evident and the agricultural colleges have the opportunity to shape their courses with the thought of developing farm executives, he said.

Education, co-operation and organization are providing a triple link in a chain of agricultural progress, John F. Cast, editor of the Missouri Ruralist, St. Louis, said. Always an individualist, the American farmer, especially the mid-Western farmer, is coming to realize as never before that in union there is strength, he declared.

"He is beginning to take a leaf from the book of organized labor and another from the book of organized industry", he said. "While retaining his identity and his opinion as an individual, he is rapidly progressing toward mass action in many things which affect his interest, including mass voting."

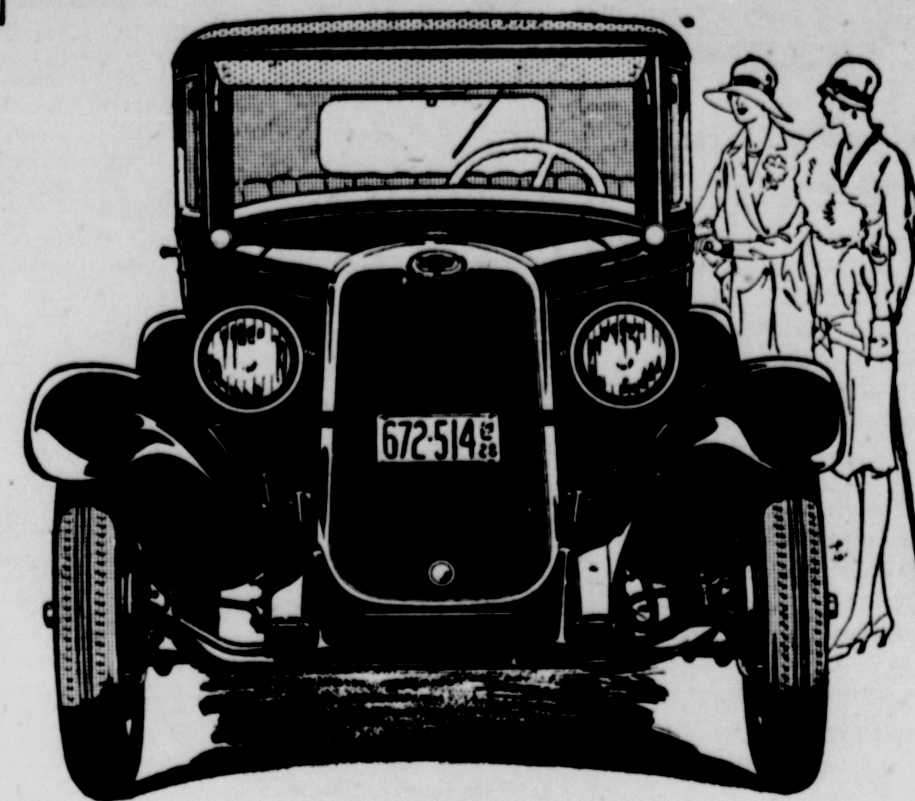
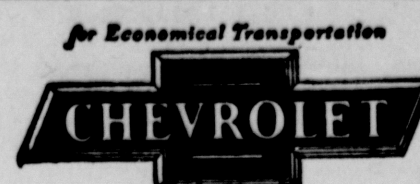
Case pointed out that more than ever before, farmers are demanding that candidates who propose to represent them be "farmer-minded", whether or not they are actual tillers of the soil. Party lines will be lightly ignored in the election of 1928, he predicted.

SURPLUS BIG-GAME ANIMALS
DISPOSED OF IN VARIOUS WAYS

In order to assure sufficient food for animals that are retained on the big-game reservations maintained by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, surplus animals are variously disposed of. Since no hunting is allowed on these big-game preserves, reduction is mainly accomplished through the capture and sale of animals for stocking or exhibition purposes. In the winter of 1924-25 a surplus of 221 buffalo was removed from the National Bison Range in Montana, and the next winter 388 surplus elk were shipped alive from the same reservation to purchasers in Massachusetts.

The overstocking of well-located refuges that are not too large may usually be prevented by regulated hunting outside. On larger preserves, or on those from which there is little or no overflow, hunting or reducing the surplus by other means may be of vital importance to the residue. Sometimes, by a transfer of surplus animals, the needs of an entirely different region may be met. For example, three elk have been shipped from Wind Cave Preserve, S. Dak., to the Experiment Substation of the Nebraska College of Agriculture at North Platte. The elk arrived in fine condition. They are to be used for propagation and exhibit purposes.

Also, three 2-year-old buffalo a male and two females, were shipped in November from the National Bison Range in Montana to the Zoological Gardens at Rome, Italy, a gift from the United States Government. The animals were uncrated at New York where they rested at the Zoological Park for a few days before starting on their ocean journey. All three were fine animals, weighing about 1,320 pounds each, crated. One of them



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When there is not a surplus animals can sometimes be spared for restocking purposes. An example is furnished in the case of six elk calves recently transported from the State of Washington and liberated on Kruzof Island, Alaska, under the Territorial stocking program of the 1927 legislature, carried on by the Alaska Game Commission. A contract has been signed for delivery next spring of six mountain goats to be shipped to the State of Washington in return for the elk and for additional elk for the Kodiak-Afognak group of islands.

The Mexicans have hit upon a neat compliment for our air hero. The double ace in dominoes they call "Lindy".—Manchester Union.

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President of the Airline Road Commission since its organization several years ago, Frank D. Lair, furniture dealer, has announced his resignation. His successor will be selected February 6 by the City Councils of Charleston, East Prairie and Aniston and the County Court. W. C. Bryant has been mentioned as a possible successor. The Airline Road District, governed by a commission of three non-salaried men, has attracted much attention by its construction of concrete roads in Mississippi county.

About a year ago a swarm of bees took up their abode in the eaves of the home of Dr. J. L. Lindsay of Poplar Bluff. Last week the doctor decided the bees were a nuisance, and ordered them removed. After the several pieces of weatherboarding had been removed, the bees were routed and approximately 100 pounds of honey was found.

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